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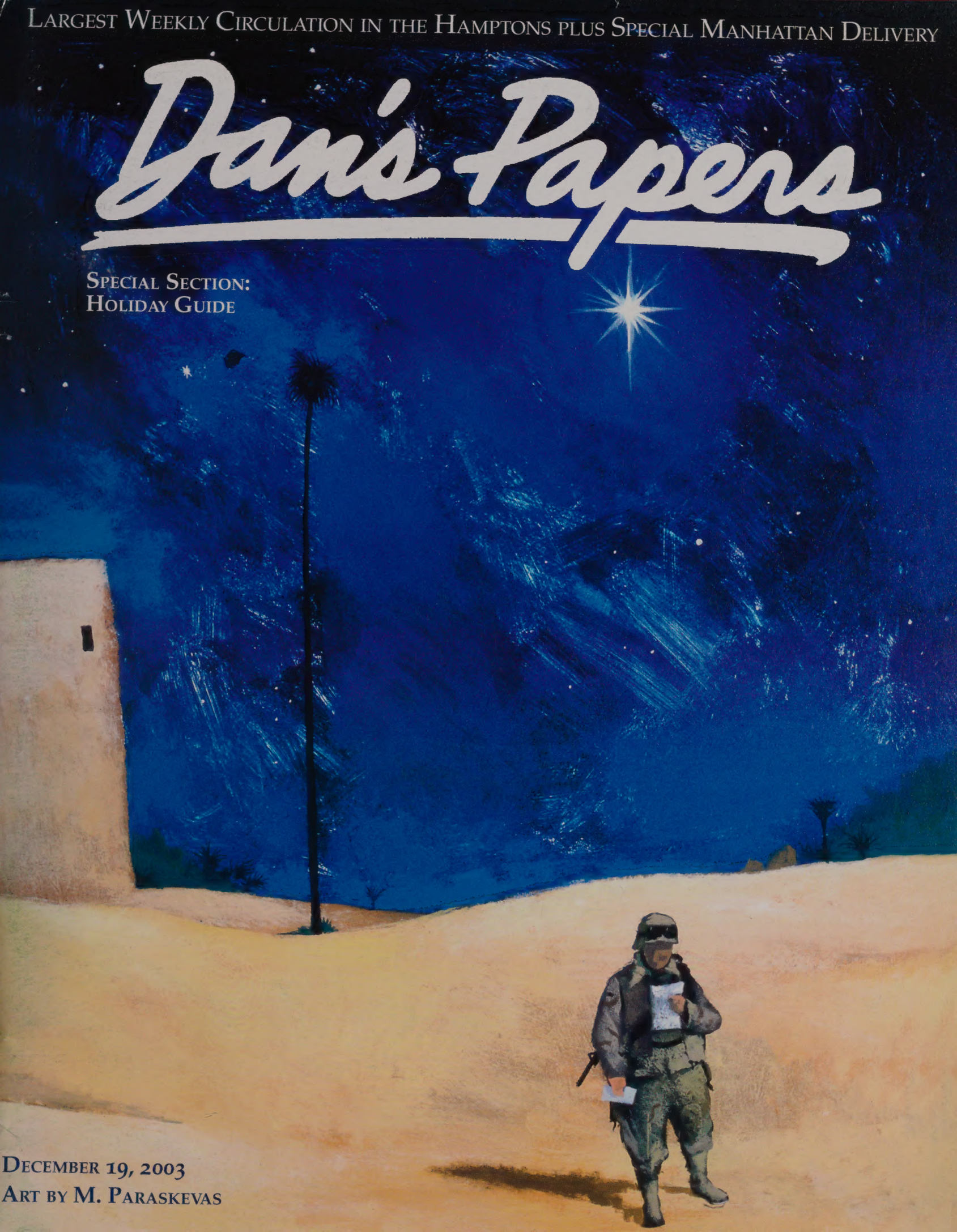

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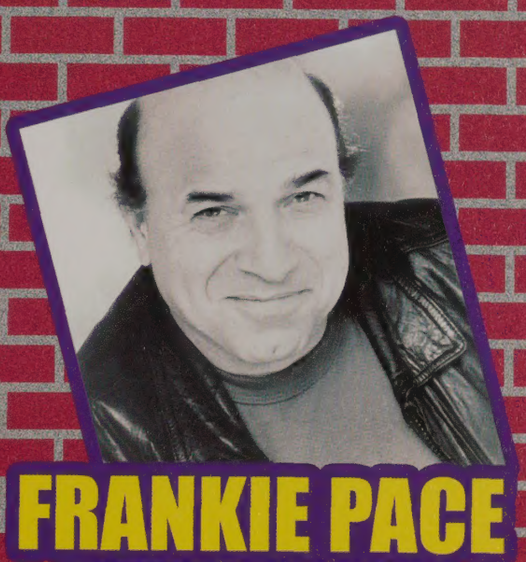

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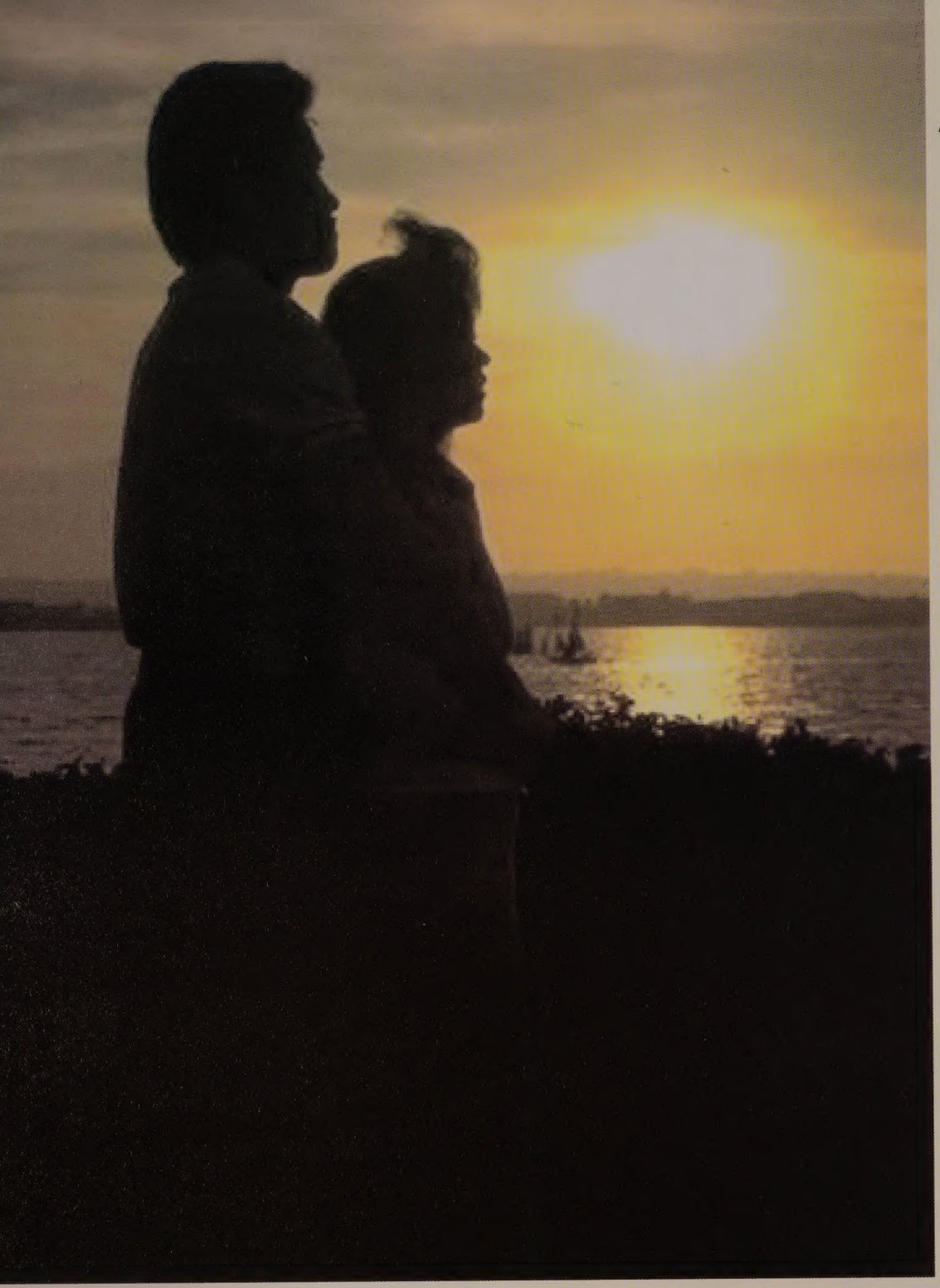

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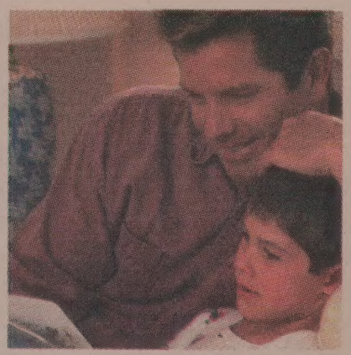

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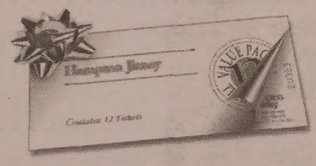

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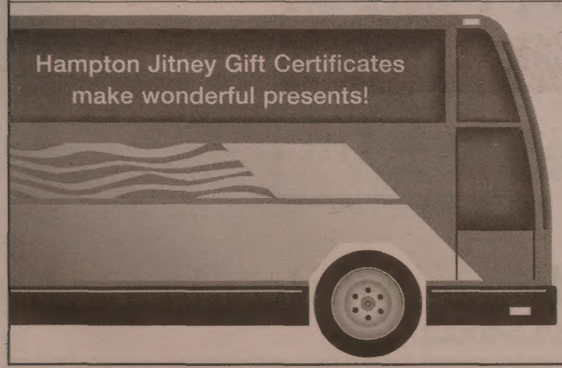

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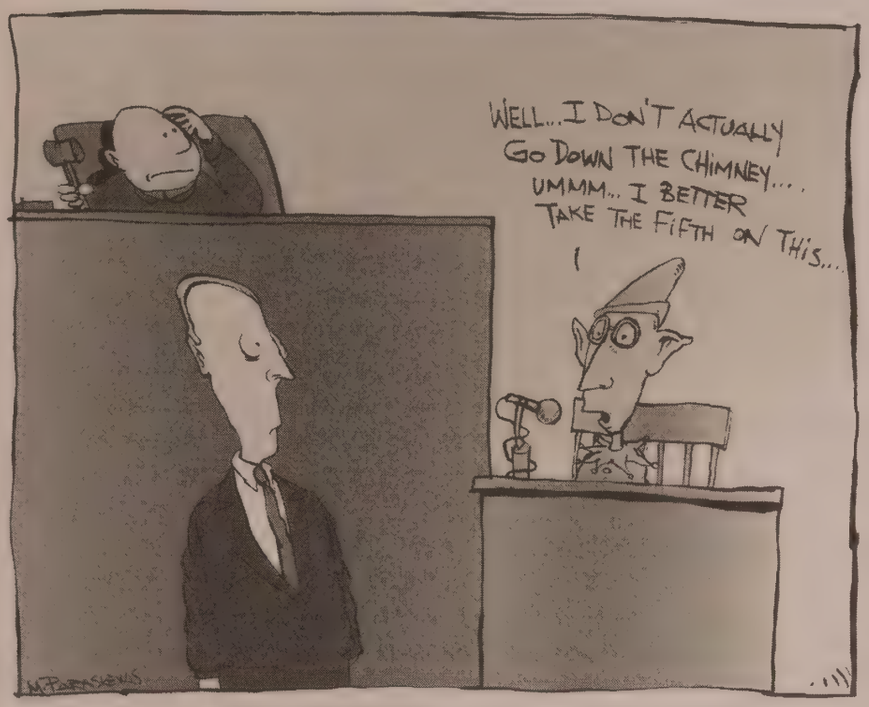
By Dan Rattiner
A Christmas Fable For The Children Of The Hamptons (To Be Read Aloud)



Southampton, December 16: The much-anticipated trial of Santa Claus took place in County Court in Riverhead last Monday. It was an emotional affair, filled with high drama, hundreds of newspaper and TV reporters, at least eleven court artists and nearly a hundred witnesses. A "guilty" verdict on the twenty three charges would have ended Santa Claus' career and probably result in his lifetime incarceration. A verdict of "not guilty" would have cleared the way for the upcoming Christmas. And looming over it all, of course, was the possibility of the death penalty.

Judge Horace Halsey gaveled the court into session at exactly nine a.m. and began by giving a series of instructions to the seven man/five woman jury.

"The individual charges are not particularly serious," he said, "but there are so many of them that I want you to consider if this man has not engaged in a consistent pattern of reckless disregard of the law so serious as to crack the very foundation of civilized society, thereby laying the foundation for anarchy. If you do find in this matter, then you will have no choice but to return a verdict of guilty as charged."

Santa Claus was ushered in. Though handcuffed, he smiled and waved (with both hands) to the crowd. The crowd cheered.

"Order, order," the judge gaveled.

A clerk read the charges. Breaking and entering. Overloading a sleigh beyond its legal capacity. Illegal roof parking. Failure to file a flight plan. Harboring wild animals. Littering. Chimney cleaning without a license. Becoming a public nuisance. Cruelty to animals. Refusing to obey a police officer's order. Driving at night without headlights. Reckless driving. Speeding. Suspect behavior with children under 12. Discrimination against bad children. Failure to clean up animal droppings. Disturbing the peace. Driving a sleigh without a license. Fleeing the scene of a crime. Stalking. Invasion of privacy. Organizing a cult. Wearing a ridiculous red suit.

Opening statements were made. District Attorney Reginald Blue, who had brought the charges, made his opening remarks. A tall, slender man in a sharkskin suit, he paced back and forth in front of the jurors, occasionally jabbing his finger in the air.

"We intend to prove, without a shadow of a doubt," he said, "that Mr. Claus, assisted by more than ten thousand elves" — who were not charged (a nod to a band of elves in the audience) — "has engaged in illegal behavior for many years, thousands of years, openly, without remorse, and flagrantly. That Mr. Claus has gotten away with this for all this time suggests bribery of law enforcement officials, which we suspect but have not charged him with at this time. He ties wild reindeer up to the front of a heavy sleigh and has them tow it for thousands of miles through the night. He forces them to fly. He makes them land on all manner of rooftops without regard for their safety. He climbs down chimneys into people's homes. He leaves unrequested packages under Christmas trees. He sometimes bumps into things, fright-

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South O' the Highway (and the North too)

Michael Paraskevas did this year's Christmas cover, an honor he's had for at least ten years at last count. He just wanted everyone to remember there are families all over this country who have loved ones overseas and that some of those families won't be together this Chrismas. This cover is dedicated to all the men and women who aren't going to be coming home for Christmas.

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Southampton's **Wilbur Ross**, Chairman of International Steel Group, oversaw the first day of the company's public trading last Friday when shares rose more than 25%. ISG is the second largest steel firm in America formed from Bethlehem Steel, Acme Steel and LTV. Mr. Ross predicts that the company will soon be debt free.

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Lorne Michaels of East Hampton is the producer of a new comedy, *Mean Girls,* to be distributed by Paramount in '04. Written by *Saturday Night Live's* **Tina Fey** the film stars SNL veterans **Ana Gasteyer, Tim Meadows, Amy Poehler, Tina Fey** and **Lindsay Lohan.**

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Diane Keaton received an award from the National Board of Review for her role in *Something's Gotta Give*, with scenes filmed in the Hamptons with **Jack Nicholson**.

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Jerry Seinfeld of East Hampton will write, produce, direct and voice star in *Bee Movie*, a 3-D Dreamworks animated film.

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A. Robert Johnson, Founder and Artistic Director of New York Philomusica, announced the release of a new CD dedicated to the late George Plimpton in honor of the 50th Anniversary of *The Paris Review.*

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Glamorous **Kimora Lee Simmons**, CEO of Baby Phat clothing, presented the gorgeous mansion she shares with her husband, entertainment and apparel mogul **Russell Simmons**, in New Jersey in the current *Bazaar.* The Simmons also maintain a residence in East Hampton, the site of their popular annual Rush Philanthropic Foundation gala.

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Something's Gotta Give... three weeks on Meadow Lane in Southampton cost Columbia

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WINTER BREAK

This issue is our final edition for the year 2003. We now take a two-week break and publish again on January 9, 2004. This is a practice we have followed every year as it gives our staff a well-deserved break. To place advertisements and coming events for the edition of January 9, 2004, contact us before Monday at 5 p.m. on January 5. Beginning with January 9, we resume our weekly schedule.

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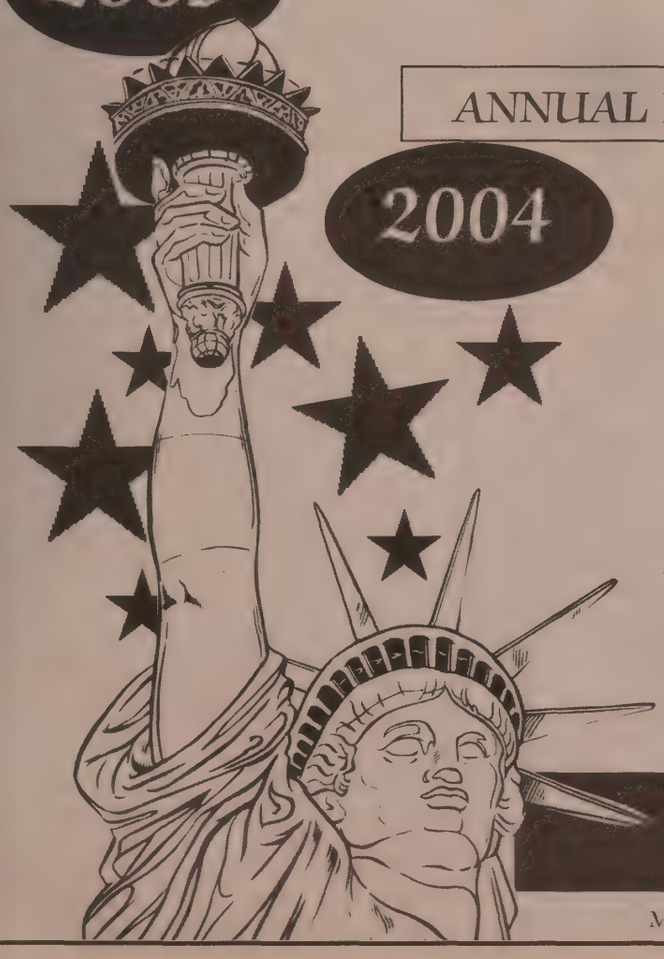

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ening the inhabitants, and he endangers both himself and others by flying around without regard for FAA regulations."

Defense attorney Alvin Alvin, a heavyset man with a bushy white moustache, spoke for Mr. Claus. He approached the jury, put his hands behind his back and rocked back and forth. He made a very short speech.

"Try to imagine Christmas without Santa Claus," he said to the jury.

With that, the parade of witnesses began. An official from the Air Controllers Office in Ronkonkoma was called to the stand and had to concede, reluctantly, that having Santa enter the air space without a flight plan caused him to have to order commercial aircraft to change course.

"But it's not a problem," he said.

"Nevertheless," said District Attorney Blue.

A clerk from Southampton Town, where the charges had been filed, was brought to the stand and asked to read regulations regarding parking, paying particular attention to parking on rooftops. She did so.

A psychiatrist who had interviewed Santa Claus testified that wearing a red suit every day certainly was irregular.

An official from the Suffolk County Board of Health testified that though droppings from birds in flight might not be considered a problem, the same thing from flying reindeer was another matter entirely.

Other witnesses included a school psychologist who said that rewarding one child because he was "good" but failing to reward another because he was "bad" was too vague a standard for children to understand. Another psychologist testified that serious psychological damage could result from such a judgement, with follow-up studies indicating all sorts of mental problems, aggressive behavior and maybe even depression. And a mother from Sagaponack was forced to testify that she assumed it was Santa Claus who had knocked over a lamp in her living room in the middle of the night on Christmas Eve, but she didn't mind.

"Nevertheless, he did it," District Attorney Blue said.

"Yes," she said, averting her gaze.

The prosecution rested just before lunch, and Judge Halsey ordered a one-hour recess. During this interval, District Attorney Blue held a press conference, at which he said he was confident of a conviction because his case was airtight and overwhelming. He praised his assistants for the job that they had done with "legal research, paper trail gathering and general gum-shoe sleuthing."

At two o'clock, court was back in session, and attorney Alvin called a whole parade of individuals who testified as to Santa Claus' character, industriousness, honesty and kindliness.

Among those testifying for the defense was the owner of Hildreth's Department Store, Henry Hildreth, who praised Santa for all of his many appearances at the store before

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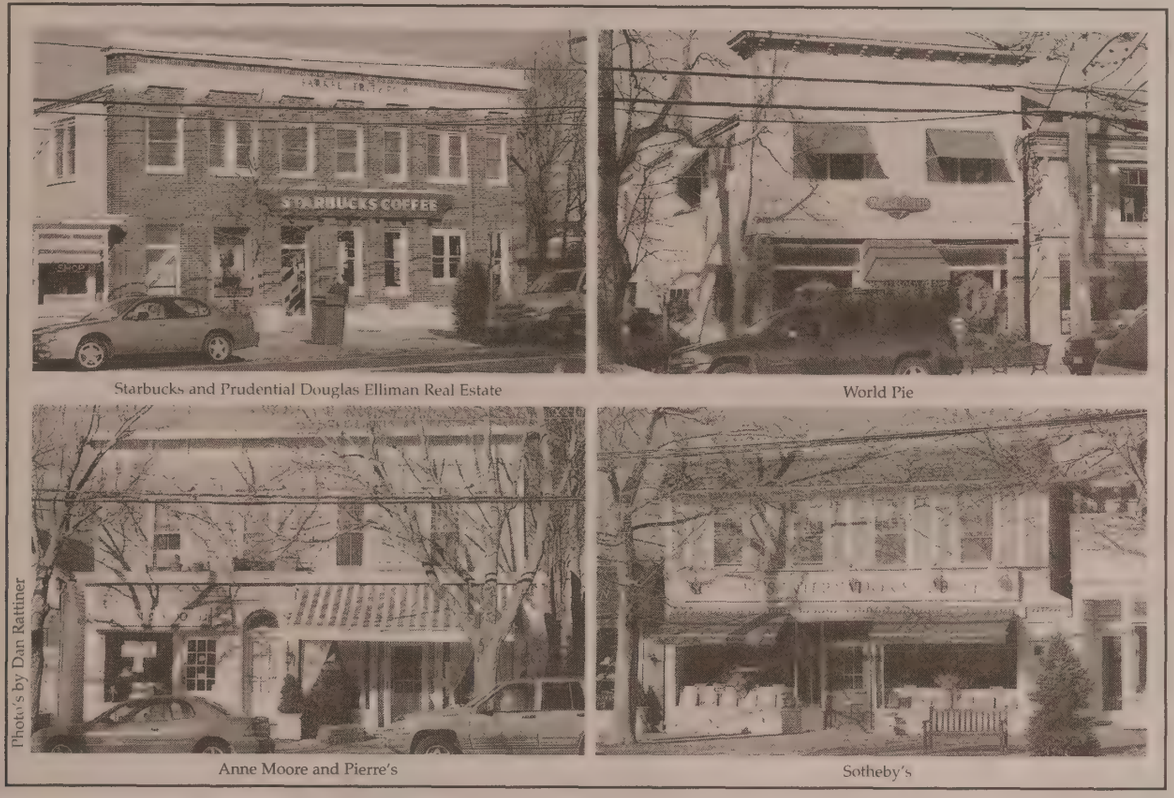
Expedition At Midnight To Bridgehampton To Identify A Historic Building



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World Pie

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Anne Moore and Pierre's

Sotheby's

By Dan Rattiner

Two weeks ago, I was sitting in Starbucks in Bridgehampton, and I noticed an old bank vault in the back that had been used during the years that the building housed the Bridgehampton National Bank. I wrote a story about it, about the odd juxtaposition of a coffee house in the bank, and decided to run that story in this newspaper.

But we needed a photograph of the old bank to accompany the article. Since it was largely a historical piece, I sent somebody to the Bridgehampton Historical Society building, a former wooden mansion on Main Street, where Ros Gutterson loaned us what she said was an old glass plate photograph taken of the bank building before it was even a bank building. A retailer named Loper had built it. The building had a sign out front that read Loper's General Store.

I looked at the photo briefly, noted that it looked nothing like the bank building but that there was a horse-drawn wagon out front on the dirt street , and thought it would do. I put it back into the manila envelope that it had come in. We would scan it into the paper, and the next day return it to the Historical Society. I didn't think anything more of it. And went on to other things.

We stay late at the paper on Tuesday nights to get this publication ready for the printer. Sometimes we are up till 4 a.m. Around midnight, an editor came up to my office bearing the galley page that now held the scanned picture. It covered the whole top of the page.

"What caption do you want?" she asked. "We think it's the building that has the restaurant World Pie in it. Though of course the photo was taken a hundred years ago."

I looked at the photo closely for the first time. Indeed, it DID look like the World Pie building. At least it sort of looked like the World Pie building. As I said before, it certainly didn't look like the bank.

It was at this point that I realized I had not been a very good editor-in-chief in this matter. Had we been given the wrong photograph? It

Photo courtesy of the Bridgehampton Historical Society

Loper's Store, Bridgehampton, 1885. Which of the above is this building today?

was too late to call Ms. Gutterson at the Historical Society or even at home. And it was basically the middle of the night, pitch black out with nobody around, snow drifts everywhere, the temperature in the twenties and a bitter cold wind thrown in.

"Let's go out and look," I said. Actually what I said was "Let's get somebody out there to have a look."

Two people volunteered. They were Maria Tennariello, our Shopping Editor and Lise Visser, our Photo Editor.

"Dress warm," I said. "And don't come back until you know what building this is. Keep in mind that storefronts can change. There is even the possibility that this building was torn down, though I don't think so. This is a very solid brick building. It is probably still there. Check the upper floor. People wouldn't be moved to change that much."

The building, as you can see, has a very distinctive second-floor facade. There is a false front up top. A cornice with concrete wreaths just below. Three windows with curved tops. And another cornice jutting out over the first floor and the store windows. It could be a building in Manhattan from that era. A tenement building, maybe. Shouldn't be hard to see these details, even in the dark. I thought it odd how little I have noticed the architecture of our town's buildings. My reality is straight ahead, or down looking at the cracks in the sidewalk. I don't really look up.

So Maria and Lise went out and they came back with the following completely inadequate report.

"It can't be World Pie because there is no false front. And it can't be the bank building because although it has a false front, it's completely, completely different. We have no idea what it is."

Of course, you cannot write a caption that says "we have no idea what this building is."

"Maybe it's a picture of a building in Indiana,"

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I said, trying to mask my frustration.

"We looked at EVERY building," Lise said. "We even stopped in the middle of the street to check them out."

By this time, I was putting on my hat and coat. I would look myself. They don't call me the King of Delegation for nothing. *Dan's Papers'* reputation was at stake.

Robin Smith, the managing editor, came upstairs to my office. "You are going to hold everything up," she said. "We are about to send the paper to the printer."

"I'll take my cell phone," I said. "I'll phone you as soon as I know. It won't hold anything up."

And so, like Amundsen going out to find the South Pole, I headed down the street in my car to find what the hell this building was.

I had the same trouble as Lise and Maria did. But, getting out of the car and crunching around in the snow, I learned something I did not know about Bridgehampton before.

If you look at very old drawings or paintings of Bridgehampton, or of any of our other old New England villages, you can't help but notice that what passed for stores downtown in the early nineteenth century were, for a long time early on, just wood shingled one-story buildings not much different from houses. A few of them remain today, preserved and cared for.

Around 1880, however, the Industrial Age began, the railroad came through, and they began building things of concrete and brick. Quite a few of these structures are still around. There is the Pulver Gas building. World Pie, the Konner Court building next to the big white Presbyterian Church in the center of town, the building that houses the American Cafe, the Starbucks building formerly the Bridgehampton Bank, and a building that now houses Pierre's Restaurant. With a few wooden buildings in between them, this is what passed for Bridgehampton around 1900. A dirt main street, these formidable brick buildings and some wooden sidewalks.

Since 1910, no brick two-story buildings have been built in this town. Instead, newer constructions are large storefronts that are extensions of regular houses, now out to the sidewalk. Or renovations. Or just one-story modern retail buildings.

The one hundred-year-old brick buildings are indeed quite beautiful. Particularly on a dark, cold night and festooned with Christmas tree lights. Who knew? I walked around, thumping my mittens to keep warm. I walked up and down both sides of Main Street, looking up. It was dark and still with nobody about. And I became convinced that the picture was of the eastern two thirds of what is now Pierre's Restaurant. There was the high false front. And off to the east of this building, clearly visible, was the top of what looked like the Bridgehampton Library building today, with a wooden Victorian filigree on the roof. The proportions seemed to fit.

I returned to the car and phoned this information in to Robin.

"Lise is coming down there," she said. "She found some information in a history book she wants you to see."

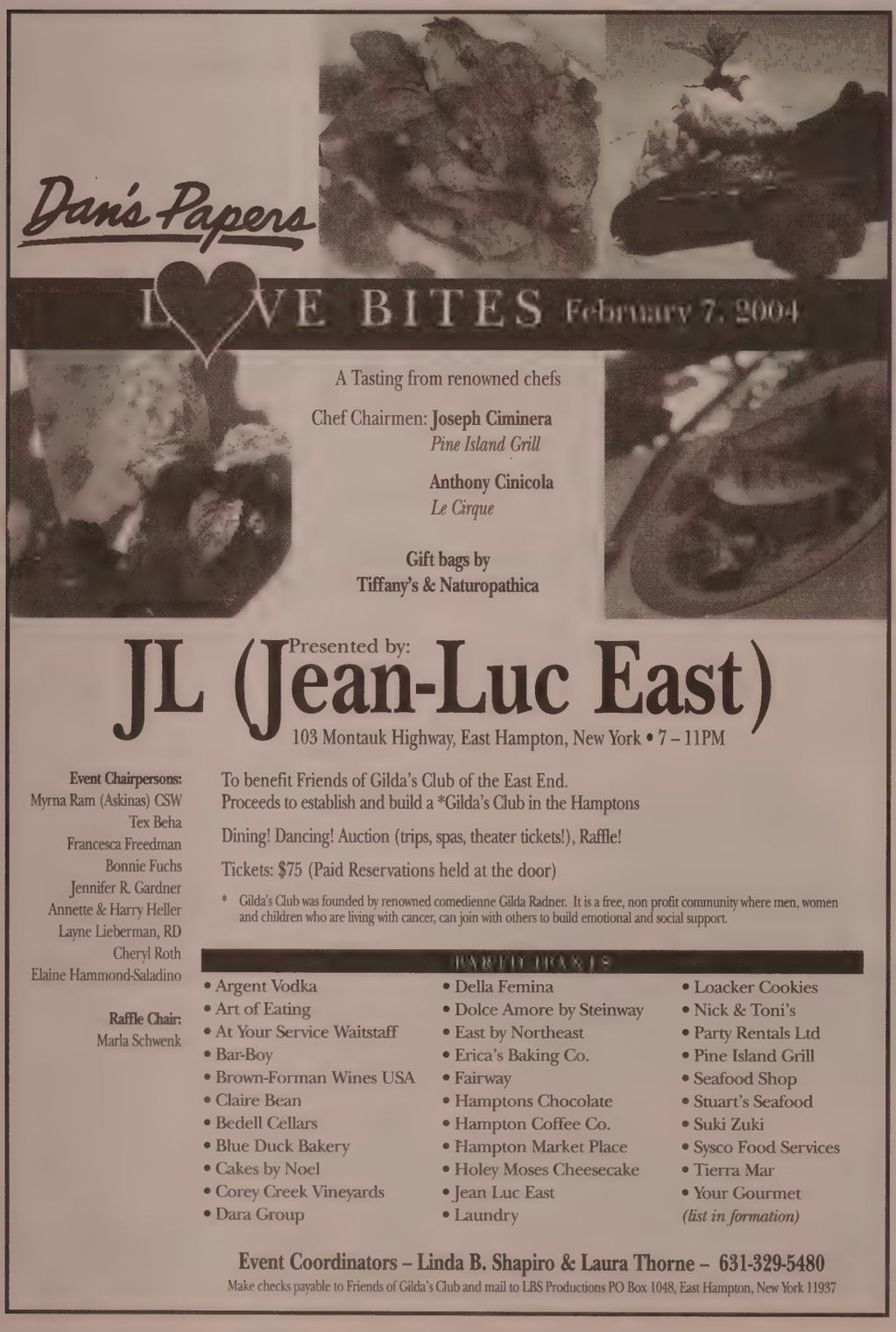
The book Lise had found in my library was called "Images of America: Bridgehampton," essentially a collection of old photographs with captions, written and edited by Geoffrey K. Fleming. It was published in 2003. In it, there is a section on old stores. And there was this very picture.

The photo was, indeed, what is today Starbucks. But it has passed through so many transformations and renovations that it is nearly unrecognizable. The one-story extension on the eastern side of the building had been fitted with a second floor by the bank in 1920, to make the whole thing look imposing and square. The false columns and buttresses were added. It probably was the most formidable looking structure on the East End during that era, a place where you could put your money with confidence. What I thought was the Bridgehampton Library (which would have meant the picture was the building that is now Pierre's) was not the library at all, but the historic, revolutionary Wick's Tavern, a wooden structure that was torn down in 1950 to make way for a gas station, now the Bridgehampton Wholesale Beverage Barn. They tore down historic old buildings without giving it a second thought back then.

We returned to the office. For a moment there, I had thought that I had found an error in the historical record. But I had not. What I came away with was the knowledge that some buildings are sometimes modified in such dramatic ways as to be almost unidentifiable later on.

I also learned that downtown Bridgehampton is a very beautiful town, which I really had pretty much taken for granted these past few years.

Also, as somebody commented, referring to this middle of the night National Geographic Expedition — a stubborn midnight search for something on closing night at *Dan's Papers* is just business as usual.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Clean Your Plate

The Starving People In Asia And Other Dietary Influences Of Childhood

By Dan Rattiner

When I was a little boy, the rule for us kids at the dinner table was, "you can't get any dessert until you clean your plate."

"There are people starving in Asia," my mother would say.

I think there were people starving in India and China then.

"If you scrape your plate clean, you get to be a member of the clean plate club," she would say. But you had to eat every little bit of mashed potatoes. Every pea. Every kernel of canned corn.

Why we had the clean-plate club rule, I don't know. What I vaguely remember, was something to the effect that if I cleaned my plate, I was somehow helping these people. Also, I could get the ice cream.

Knowing what we know today about food, which is that overeating is bad for you. I wondered about the logic of this.

"It makes no sense," I said.

I was with my significant other, eating breakfast.

"The only thing I can figure," I said, "is that mother knew best. She knew everything about everything. So, if she put something on your plate it was exactly the right amount for you to eat. Perfect portion control."

"On the face of it, it's actually wrong," my significant other said. "Say there is only a certain amount of food in the world. You eat it up. Now there isn't any for the starving people in Asia."

"Let me call my mother," I said. "This is the twenty-first century. I've got her on speed dial."

My mother lives in Florida. I took out my cell phone and punched her number.

"Hello?"

"Hi, Ma? Listen, we got a problem here."

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MORE ABOUT THE SHOPPER WHO GOT TRAMPLED

By Dan Rattiner

One of the most fascinating stories of this Christmas shopping season was about the woman who got trampled at a Wal-Mart in Orange City, Florida. Shopping early in the morning with her sister, she made the mistake of trying to exit the store just as the buzzer rang admitting a huge crowd of hysterical bargain-hunters. She was stepped on, kicked, pummeled and battered, and after the herd of shoppers passed over her, was found by her sister unconscious, just inside the automatic doors, her bargain $29.95 DVD player under her. She was helicoptered to West Palm Beach Hospital, where she regained consciousness and remained for three days.

One of the odder things about this story was, that after it was reported nationwide, Wal-Mart officials did not just give her the $29.95 DVD player which had been left behind (and snatched up by somebody else) when she was taken to the hospital. Instead, they said they would put another one on layaway for her and she could pick it up for the bargain price, but she'd have to pay for it. Why they would do that when there was so much good publicity to be had from just giving it to her was a mystery to me.

Well, it turns out that this woman, Patricia VanLester, and her sister Linda Ellzey, may not have been exactly what they seemed.

"We will deal with this claim, if they make one," a Wal-Mart spokesman said about the injury suffered on their property, "in the same way as we have dealt with all ten other injury claims this woman and her sister have made against Wal-Mart in the past." The official implied that those past claims had cost the company thousands of dollars.

VanLester and Ellzey also have made claims against other stores in Florida. In 1987, VanLester collected $1,500 from a Publix supermarket for a slip and fall incident. She slipped on some spilled hand lotion at Walgreen's Orange City pharmacy and filed a claim, stating she had suffered "permanent injury, disability, disfigurement and

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I explained I was with my girlfriend and described what we were talking about and asked if she could think of any explanation for it. At first, all she said was that that was what everybody was doing at the time. So that's what she did. Then she offered this further explanation.

"I think you're right. It had to do with portion control. We really DID think we knew what was right for our kids. We had Dr. Spock. He had written these books about exactly how to raise your kids. We followed them. So if we gave you something to eat, and you didn't finish it, we would scrape what you didn't eat into the garbage. But we knew we'd only have to get more for later, because you'd be hungry pretty soon, anyway."

"So, what you're saying is that there was a finite amount of food in the world, and I had my portion, and if I didn't eat my portion then you'd have to get on the phone and call some freighter bound for Asia with food for those children and tell them – Dan didn't finish, so you have to turn the boat around? And then the people in Asia wouldn't get the food?"

"Yup," she said.

I finished the call, hung up the phone, and explained all this to my girlfriend.

"It makes sense," I said.

"That's a pretty heavy psychological burden for you to be carrying around," she said.

"I'll just finish up."

I keep thinking about these big freighters crossing the Atlantic laden with food, and then a bell clangs and the ship's whistle blows, and the Captain sets down his phone and picks up the ship's microphone and shouts "hard to starboard, hard to starboard."

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mental anguish." The judge threw out the claim. Some of her other claims against Wal-Mart were in 1995 and 1996.

There are three possible explanations for what is going on here.

One is that the sisters like to feign injuries for money. They file a lawsuit against a business. The business pays them and they go away.

Two is that they actually allow themselves to get injured to earn money and have the scars and limps to prove it.

And three is that they are among the most uncoordinated people on the planet and simply fall down and hurt themselves all over the place and have doctor bills to pay. It would be better if they weren't allowed out.

Let's look at each of these possibilities as they apply to this case. For starters, we can eliminate the uncoordinated theory. These women, to look at their pictures as published in many newspapers, appear to be in perfect health. They could get up at four in the morning to get to Wal-Mart before the buzzer went off. They drive. They shop.

By the same logic, we eliminate number two. They are not on motorcycles leaping over school buses. They are not being shot out of a cannon for a percentage of the gate.

And that leaves number one. They wanted to feign this injury. What kind of stupidness is that? They thought that Ms. VanLester could stand in the way of hundreds of hysterical shoppers, and when the buzzer went off, just lie down and pretend to be injured?

Ms. VanLester was taken to a hospital and kept for three days. She was bruised and battered. In the hospital chopper, the medics put a monitor on her. She was medically unconscious. You cannot make this stuff up. She's lucky to be alive.

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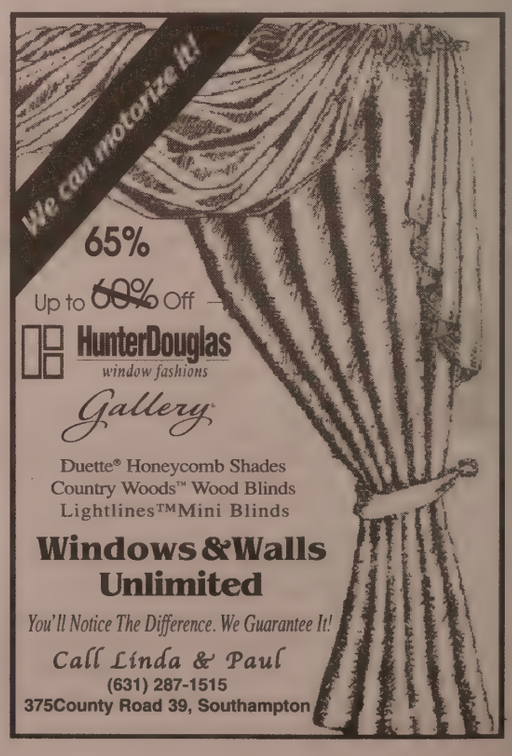

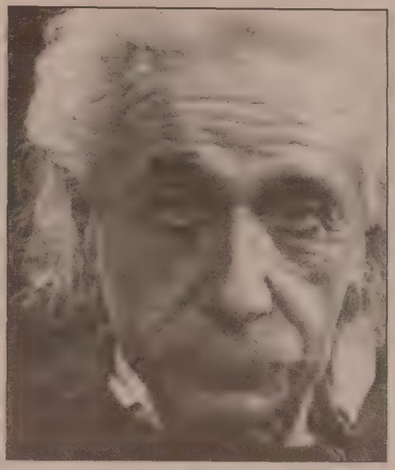

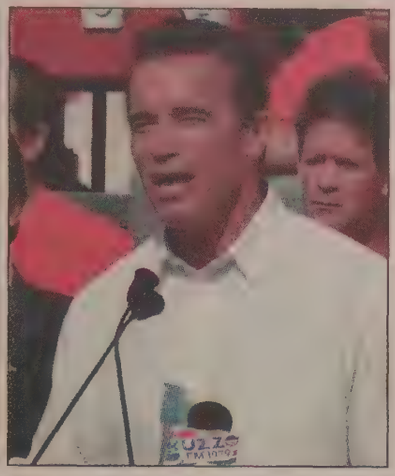

Some faces we expect to be seeing in the news in 2004

2004

A Dozen Local Folks Take A Shot At Predicting The Upcoming Year

By Dan Rattiner

Richard Adler, Composer and Lyricist:

"People will come to their senses and elect a Democratic president!"

Adrien Arpel, Cosmetics Legend:

"Hamptons hostesses will ban bread, pasta and all other forms of carbs from their tables; anyone not following the Atkins or South Beach diet can just stay home.

Alec Baldwin, Actor:

"I predict that the Stony Hill area of Amagansett will split off and form Stony Hilton. We will elect Paris Hilton the Mayor of Stony Hilton. Our taxes will go up, sure. But the Town Board meetings will be fantastic. All of this to medicate us from the fact that Bush will be re-elected. Sad day in U.S. history."

R O Blechman, Animator/Illustrator; Founder, The Ink Tank:

"Howard Dean will receive the popular vote and the Diebold voting machines will record a George Bush victory. Happy New Year!"

Bernadette Castro, Commissioner, NYS Office of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation:

"It will only rain weekdays and non-holidays this summer across all state parks on Long Island. Hikers and bird watchers will be blown away with Jamesport State Park's pristine Sound front as well as Peconic Bay views.

Golfers will be in heaven with the new and improved Rees Jones work done on our fabulous Montauk Downs Golf Course. Visitors to the East End will discover the recently opened Camp Hero State Park in Montauk and offer to donate the $1.5 million needed to restore the only Cold War radar tower still standing. Paul Simon and Billy Joel will host a benefit concert for Long Island State Parks. Billy Crystal will agree to perform prior to their appearance. Well, maybe this is more of a dream than a prediction!"

Dick Cavett:

"Saddam Hussein will escape, be recaptured, and we will get to see his lice check and oral cavity examination another 732 times on cable news."

Ahmet Ertegun, Atlantic Records :

"I have no idea what will happen tomorrow, much less next year!"

George Hirsch, Chef:

"I forecast a prosperous economic outlook for 2004. We welcome our troops home to break bread (any bread of choice), so we can combat world hunger by feeding one mouth at a time. Now that's *Living it UP!"*

Peter Kalikow, Chairman, Metropolitan Transit Authority:

"There will be no fare or toll increases in 2004."

Steven A. Ludsin, Attorney:

"I missed a year of crystal ball reading last year so it is helpful to compare my 2001 predictions to today. Unlike the Bush Administration I am willing to admit my mistakes. I was concerned that the tax cuts would harm the economy by increasing the deficit, but the rebound seems to have begun. The interest rate environment is favorable for corporate America and

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homeowners as well. The Dow is testing the 10,000 level and I think it will improve this year. I was concerned about Afghanistan but now the Iraq occupation is clearly on the list of concerns. Accordingly, I predict the economy will be strong but the crisis of Iraq will persist and the American people may send President Bush packing. President Dean?"

LeRoy Neiman, Artist:

"Mayor Bloomberg will ban the wearing of mini-skirts in restaurants."

Denise Rich, Songwriter:

"There will be a renewed effort for Global Peace. Jack Nicholson and Diane Keaton will be nominated for an Academy Award for *Something's Gotta Give.*

"I Have Loved You" the song that I co-wrote with Jessica Simpson, will be chosen for a movie and be nominated for an Academy Award."

Cliff Robertson, Actor:

"It will be a 'trying' year. Saddam will be on trial in Baghdad. Milosovich still on trial in the Hague. Scott Peterson still on trial in Modesto. Robert Blake in Van Nuys. And I... in Water Mill, for not responding to my cat 'Halsey's' demand for more fattening cat food and other sinful goodies."

Howard J. Rubenstein, Public Relations Legend:

"I am cautiously optimistic for the year 2004. There are some definite signs that the economy is on an upswing and despite some difficult news out of the Middle East, our nation's security seems stable. On the New York home front, the Yankees will regain the World Series title and we will be ever closer to securing the Summer Games of the 2012 Olympiad."

Robert F X Sillerman, Chancellor, Southampton College; Producer, *The Producers:*

"We will find weapons of mass destruction in Iraq. Afghanistan will hold full democratic elections. George Bush will read a book. The Knicks will win the NBA title... and Elvis will perform at this year's Southampton College All for the Sea Concert."

Robert Zimmerman, Democratic National Committeeman:

"Dan Rattiner will pull off an upset victory at the MTV Music Video Awards when his CD, *Melissa and the Moguls* is discovered. There will be a Democrat elected president and Betty Paraskevas will dance with me at the Inauguration. We will witness historic and unprecedented participation in the 2004 election which will return our government to the citizens and away from the extremists' special interests that are directing our public policy. That is my prayer and my prediction."

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So I am going to stick to the story, as it was reported in all the newspapers including this one, several weeks ago. The two women got up at 4 a.m. to go to Wal-Mart to get a new computer cartridge for their printer, which had run out of ink. They did not get in an accident while driving there, either feigned or because of ineptitude. On the way there, they probably discussed how they have reformed themselves, no longer filing injury claims for the get-rid-of-it money, and then they arrived to find the staff setting up for a big sale that would start at 6 a.m. They picked up a DVD player for $29.95, were on the way out to the checkout and the door, when WHAMMO, all hell broke loose.

It is interesting to note that according to David L. Sweat, who is Ms. VanLester's lawyer, there has been no claim filed in this case.

Thank goodness Ms. VanLester is all right, I say. This is perfect stuff for an HBO movie about litigation reform. There's danger, injury, hysteria, shopping. It could star Winona Rider. After that comes the book, the Barbara Walters interview, fame and fortune.

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Jet East

No More Nightclubs On North Sea Road? It Could Happen

By Jerry Cimisi

First it was Conscience Point, now Jet East. Of these two clubs that figured prominently in Southampton nightlife during the past years, one has been closed and purchased by the town and the other is all but shut down. Jet East, which is closed for the season, will not be allowed to reopen next year if it continues to leave cited violations uncorrected.

Kim Judd, an attorney for Southampton Town, outlined the difficult history between Jet East and the town. "Back in '99, Jet East had converted a kitchen to a VIP room, which increased occupancy. They also put a deck in back. They did this without approval from the Town Planning Board. We cited them for these violations in the Town Justice Court and we commenced an enforcement action in New York State Supreme Court for Jet East to comply with the zoning code.

People did not want loud, boisterous clubs in their backyard or even down the block.

"Jet East then agreed to a Temporary Restraining Order from the court. They would not use the VIP room and the deck until they got Site Plan Approval from the Town. The owners agreed to go the planning Board, and they did get approval. They agreed to a settlement with the town to develop a parking area, install soundproofing, and put up a six foot high stockade fence to separate their property from the neighbors. They also agreed to put a berm with approved landscaping.

"They agreed to this settlement in 2000," Ms. Judd went on. "But by 2001 they had not effected all these things. They had soundproofed the club and put up the fence, but they had not put in a parking area. And by this time their Site Plan Approval had lapsed. There is a year limit on that. So they were continuing to operate with violations."

This past May, Southampton Town again took Jet East to court. Ms. Judd said, "We sought an

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ACTOR ROY SCHEIDER TALKS ABOUT DUNEHAMPTON

By Roy Scheider

I live in Sagaponack, at the beach, and want to live nowhere else. Sagaponack is a real place, with a look, a tradition and an attitude. A good one, I believe. Dunehampton is an anomaly, a confusion of ideas I felt were necessary for me to accept in order to save my house. But now, the thought of a separate "gold coast" seems appalling. If my voice and the voices of my neighbors can be respected by the Town Board I'd like to see a commission formed, to nourish and protect the beach. Let the Town of Southampton be realistic about the most attractive aspect of this whole community — the beach. If the town doesn't wake up, a new village of Sagaponack can be formed. Maybe it should be formed anyway.

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order to make Jet East comply with the previous restraining order. We anticipated a settlement. But in late August, their attorney told us his clients did not want to settle."

As a business, Jet East functions under the 1187 North Sea Road, LLC (Limited Liability Corporation). The corporation is composed of Patrick Hannay-Robertson, Andrew Sasson and William Dwyer, none of whom could be reached for comment. Mr. Sasson is, apparently, an ex-boyfriend of Lizzie Grubman, and the story goes is that she fled to his house after her infamous incident at Conscience Point — which, by the way, Southampton Town purchased through the Community Preservation Fund.

"The situation now," said Kim Judd, "is that unless Jet East corrects its violations it will not be able to open next year."

She also spoke about the "Amoritization Plan" Southampton Supervisior Patrick Heaney has proposed. This would shut down clubs with prior or current violations and or criminal summons over a period of one to ten years, depending on the club's financial circumstance.

"There have been five public hearings on this plan already," said Ms. Judd. "The next one is scheduled for January 13."

She added, "Nightclubs are currently permitted only in certain areas — those zoned for highway business, shopping center, motel business and restaurant and waterfront. The nightclubs on North Sea date back to before 1957, before these restrictions. Obviously they did not exist under their current names, they were under other owners and titles, but they were clubs going back all those decades."

Forty years ago, even twenty and fifteen years ago, North Sea was sort of the outback of Southampton. But by the mid and late '90s, as more year round residents moved to this and other areas of the Hamptons, and, concurrently, housing prices soared, perhaps the nature of the communities surrounding the above mentioned clubs changed. People did not want loud, boisterous clubs in their backyard or even down the block.

It is not surprising noise from clubs has been a major complaint from those living nearby. Kim Judd mentioned that both Conscience Point and Jet East had generated noise complaints for years, though after Jet East put in soundproofing, the noise complaints stopped.

At any rate, areas change. It might not happen for a few more years, but by the next decade there may very well be no more nightclubs on North Sea Road. One wonders: will they have a plaque where Lizzie Grubman put her SUV in reverse?

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Scott Wittman And Marc Shaiman

By Jan Silver

The kiss. Oh, the kiss. You might remember the little brouhaha at this year's Tony Awards when an ebullient Marc Shaiman bussed his longtime partner and sometimes-collaborator Scott Wittman in celebration of their winning the best musical Tony for *Hairspray*. (Marc composed the music and they both wrote the lyrics.) The embrace was on or near the front page of most major newspapers the next day.

This almost unrestrained spontaneity is typical of Marc, who is shorter, a little younger and more outgoing than his partner. Scott is slender, quieter and more reserved. He resembles the actor George Clooney. The two have been together for 26 years — they met when Marc was 16 — and, although they differ in style and appearance, their entertainment sensibilities are in sync.

We spoke after an informal musical performance Shaiman and Wittman gave at East Hampton's BookHampton in October when the book *Hairspray: The Roots* had just come out. Although both men are originally from the New York metropolitan area, they moved to California many years ago and launched separate but successful careers — Scott as a stage and concert director and Marc as a film, theater, television and recording composer/arranger/producer. (Marc has received many Oscar, Grammy and Emmy nominations.)

With the huge success of *Hairspray*, they are back in New York for a good part of the year and, Scott adds, have even rented a house in Amagansett "since the royalties kicked in." They like the East End and the relaxing work atmosphere here.

Scott grew up in Nyack, in Rockland County north of Manhattan. He says he mowed Helen Hayes' garden there as a teenager. Marc is from Scotch Plains, New Jersey, and was consumed by music at a very early age.

Marc's parents recognized his talent and allowed him to leave high school and work in Manhattan at 16. "Writing music for community theater was my schooling but" he adds, "I don't suggest that anyone not complete high school — and I later got a high school equivalency degree."

Marc met Scott in Manhattan when Marc played piano at a club next door to where Scott was working and it was love at first sight. Since they moved to California for their careers, Marc has written the music for more than 35 films including *South Park, The First Wives Club, Patch Adams, George of the Jungle, In & Out, City Slickers, Sister Act, Sleepless in Seattle* and *When Harry Met Sally.* He has worked as producer/arranger on recordings and television shows for Bette Midler, Billy Crystal, Martin Short and Peter Allen.

"I have a needlepoint pillow at home which reads 'I put the pro in procrastinate'!"

Scott has written and directed solo concerts for Kristin Chenoweth, Nathan Lane, Bette Midler, Patti Lupone, Sarah Jessica Parker, Sandy Duncan, Elaine Stritch and Martin Short among others.

When asked how they work on a show together, they say the melodies come easily but working on the lyrics is constant because lyrics are harder to perfect. They learned a lot about how to structure a play from playwright Tom Meehan *(Hairspray, The Producers, Annie)* when working on *Hairspray.* "The show only took two and a half years to put together, which is very fast for a musical. We tuned up the show in Seattle for six weeks before the New York opening."

The partners go back to check on *Hairspray* from time to time to make sure the performance level remains high. They say the young chorus members don't have the same work ethic as the older performers. "The kids often call in sick but Harvey Fierstein has never missed a performance — and it's very frantic backstage for Harvey's costume changes."

Marc also talked about the long hours required to score a movie — "and you can't stop and take a few days off because the next day there are more scenes to fit music to, so you have to put in the hours."

Scott is not as good at self-motivation. "I have a needlepoint pillow at home which reads 'I put the pro in procrastinate'!"

Among their current projects, they are working with another East End 'local,' Terrence McNally, to make the movie *Catch Me If You Can* into a musical. Scott Wittman and Marc Shaiman are an exciting addition to the galaxy of creative artists who flourish on the East End.

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Christmas.

"The children line up to see him," he said.

Others included the Town Historian, Mrs. Claus, the headmasters of several orphanages, numerous Girl Scout and Boy Scout troops, owners of toy stores and various mothers and fathers. At 4 p.m., the defense rested, and Judge Halsey sent the jury to begin their deliberations.

To everyone's surprise, just ten minutes later, they knocked at the door to the courtroom and were led back into their seats. The assembled crowd was completely silent. You could hear a pin drop.

"Have you reached a verdict?" the judge asked.

"Yes, we have, your Honor," the jury foreman said.

"So soon?" the judge pressed. "It's only been a few minutes."

"It's a no-brainer, your Honor."

"May I have the envelope?" the judge asked. A bailiff brought it to him from the jury foreman, the judge opened it, read it, and handed it to the clerk.

"You may read it aloud, Madam Clerk," the judge said.

"Not Guilty on all charges," she said.

And pandemonium broke out. People cheered and screamed. The newspapermen ran for the telephones. The photographers took their flash pictures. And the TV reporters began conducting interviews.

"I'm so glad this is the outcome," the Chief of the Southampton Fire Department said. "Justice has been served."

"It would have been a sad day to have Christmas without Santa Claus," a mother said.

Santa Claus was ushered out of the courtroom, but not before waving and smiling to everybody and saying "Ho, ho, ho."

"We get PRESENTS!" said Billy Toon of Water Mill.

District Attorney Blue said he was convinced that the jury had been "set up" — his words — that the world "hadn't heard the last of him" and he was selling his house he lived in with its three chimneys and moving to the outskirts of town to a house "with a very steep roof and with no chimney on it."

"Good," said TV reporter Lara Spencer.

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South O' the Highway (and the North too)

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Pictures $135,000 last summer for **Jack Nicholson**'s rental while he was in the Hamptons filming the movie with **Diane Keaton, Amanda Peet, Francis McDormand** and **Keanu Reeves.** Required amenities for Mr. Nicholson included a treadmill, a large screen television and a tanning bed. Ms. Keaton enjoyed a charming vintage Victorian in the Village of Southampton and she signed her book, *Clown Paintings,* at East End Books in East Hampton between takes.

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Don and **Marilyn Hewitt** of Bridgehampton and **Martha Stewart** of East Hampton joined **Frank Langella** at the Lyceum for the opening of *I Am My Own Wife* by playwright **Doug Wright.** The play is a true story about a transvestite, Charlotte von Mahlsdorf, who not only survives the Nazi regime but the communist government that follows it.

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A new book, *Mr. and Mrs. Hollywood: Edie and Lew Wasserman and Their Entertainment Empire*, by Kathleen Sharp, discusses the importance and inspiration of the late movie mogul to East Hampton's **Steven Spielberg,** who was the youngest man under contract at Universal, thanks to Mr. Wasserman's approval to hire him while he was an undergraduate. *Jaws* followed.

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Southampton's **Paris Hilton,** who recently appeared on *Saturday Night Live,* is being wooed by FOX TV to star in another show following the success of *The Simple Life.* The willowy model/actress is the frontrunner in an online poll for Media Person of the year at IWantMedia.com. Ms. Hilton and her *Simple Life* co-star, **Nicole Richie**, appeared together at the 2003 Billboard Music Awards in Las Vegas as award presenters.

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Having survived a landscaping dispute with **Martha Stewart,** Georgica's **Harry Macklowe** is excavating a Houston Street property in Manhattan, but the adjacent building must be stabilized before he can proceed. The 1870's building foundation is damaged, according to a $20 million lawsuit filed by coop owners.

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Kathleen Turner joined producer **James Nederlander Jr.** who was honored at Sotheby's auction to boost tourism in New York. **Mr. Nederlander Sr.** sat with **Tony Bennett**.

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Arthur "Jerry" Kremer and **Gregory J. Naclerio**, partners at Ruskin Moscou Faltischek, will serve on Suffolk County Executive-elect **Steve Levy's** transition team as he prepares to take office January 1.

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	Chanukah Caravan	5:15pm
	Westhampton Beach, Quogue & East Quogue	
Sun, Dec 21	Morning Services	9:00am
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	Adult Education	10:00am
	Rosh Chodesh	
	Women's Study Group	11:00am

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Mon, Dec 22	Morning Services	7:30am
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Chanukah Caravan
Saturday, December 20 – 5:15pm
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The Ninth Annual Great Hampton Cantorial Concert on Thanksgiving Weekend will be televised over the Chanukah Festival on Cablevision Channel 20.

Sunday, December 21	4:00-6:00am
Monday, December 22	3:30-5:30am
Tuesday, December 23	4:30-6:30am
Wednesday, December 24	4:00-6:00am
Thursday, December 25	4:30-6:30am
Friday, December 26	4:00-6:00am

Chanukah Program at the Westhampton Care Center
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Hamptons Bohemia

by

Helen A. Harrison & Constance Ayers Denne

Chapter Two, "American Barbizon: The 19th and Early 20th Centuries"

"Why not go to Long Island?" asked Polyphemus.

"That sand place?" said the Gaul.

"There's nothing there," said the Bone with scorn.

"How do you know?" said Poluphemus.

"Why," said the Grasshopper conclusively, "nobody was ever known to go there!"

"What," said the Owl. "Nobody ever went there! Then that's the place of all others to go to!"

With that imaginary conversation among William Mackay Laffan (Polyphemus), Walter Paris (Gaul), Earl Shinn (Bone), Edward Wimbridge (Grasshopper), and F. Hopkinson Smith (Owl), the Tile Club announced to readers of *Scribner's Monthly* in January 1879 that the group was proposing to embark on a journey of aesthetic discovery. In fact, their "tramp" to eastern Long Island had taken place the previous summer, and they were well aware that the area offered much more than sand. It was hardly the unknown quantity they made it out to be.

Founded in 1877 — at a time when American artists were establishing many important professional organizations, including the Art Students League and the Salmagundi Club — the Tile Club began as an informal gathering of artists and associates who made up amusing and often cryptic nicknames for one another. Laffan, for example, was given the name of Polyphemus, the mythological Cyclops, because he had only one good eye; Gaul, referring to France, was a pun on Paris's surname. A bohemian group by conventional standards, the Tilers were nevertheless professionals who were keen to advance their careers. Inspired by the growing popular taste for decorative arts and a desire to stimulate interest in American art, they met in one another's studios to decorate ceramic tiles and devise marketing strategies for their work. ,

Laffan — who, in addition to being a painter and an art collector, was a passenger agent for the Long Island Rail Road — knew that a well-publicized excursion to Long Island could benefit both the artist and the railroad. He therefore arranged the passenger tickets for the Tile Club's June 1878 outing and the illustrated article that chronicled it. Written by himself and Earl Shinn, who contributed art criticism to *The Nation*, "The Tile Club at Play" — a lighthearted account of their adventures — appeared in *Scribner's* the following February, with illustrations by Edwin Austin Abbey, R. Swain Gifford, Charles S. Reinhardt, F. Hopkinson Smith, and Laffan himself.

Of all the places they visited, from Babylon to Montauk, the co-authors described East Hampton as the most charming. In their opinion, "not the Warwickshire landscape, nor that enchanted stretch from Stratford to Shottery which was Shakespeare's [sic] lovers' walk, is more pastorally lovely." Evidently their companions were equally enthusiastic. "My Wig!" said the Gaul, "I must secure a sketch of some of this!"

The combination of the picturesque and the primitive made East Hampton and its surroundings enticing to landscape and genre painters alike. One of their number, Frances Ordway, described the area's appeal in terms of foreign precedents. She believed that artists found in East Hampton many of the elements they prized in European locales. "To [Edwin] Abbey," she wrote, "the gardens, the lanes, the shrubbery were pure English. The wide meadows stretching to the horizon, salt marshes, sand dunes, old windmills with their delicate white sails against the rushing clouds, brought Holland home to [Arthur b.] Frost. Bolton Jones found Brittany here; and Bruce Crane was carried away straight to Pont Aven by the hay ricks, the poultry yards, the winding sheep, the returning herds lost in a maze of soft grey atmosphere so like their beloved Barbizon.

Already in 1883, *Lippincott's Magazine* had dubbed East Hampton the American Barbizon, where portable easels and sunshades punctuated the fields and farmlands, the Art Students League conducted a summer sketching class, and critiques were held in the former Clinton Academy building, then the village hall. Two years later, when the Century Magazine described East Hampton as "a true artist colony, and perhaps the most popular of adjacent sketching grounds for New York artists," the town had grown enough to support a weekly newspaper. In its very first issue, the fledgling *East Hampton*

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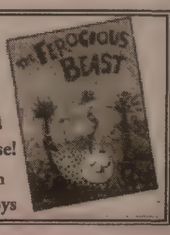

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The Sheltered Islander By Sally Flynn

Observations of an Islander #279

"Grandma Got Run Over By Reindeer..."

I used to go to the San Francisco Harvest Fair and watch Elmo & Patty perform that now classic Christmas tune every year in the '80's. Who knew it would become legend? It was just a cute little song. Now, whenever I see an inebriated grandmother, I think of reindeer.

We always connect reindeer with Christmas, although it's darn farfetched. There were no reindeer in the manger. Nor was there a Douglas Fir, or a big guy in a red suit and no twinkle lights anywhere. It's amazing how cultures and traditions collide and evolve into new entities.

I did a little research on reindeer and what to my wondering eyes did appear...

"STOCKHOLM, Sweden; Dec 10, 2003 - AP By Tommy Grandell. ... Reindeer herders have the most dangerous line of work in Sweden.... Among the herders, who are the indigenous Sami (formerly known as Lapps) in the country's far north, there were 150 deaths on the job between 1961 and 2000, said Per Sjoelander, one of the authors of "Fatal Accidents and Suicide Among Reindeer Herding Samis in Sweden."

"It's a dangerous job," Sjoelander said. "The reindeer herders are often by themselves when working, which may be a factor to the high number of fatal accidents." There are an estimated 300,000 reindeer in Sweden. The hides are used for clothing, handicrafts, fashion, and food. Reindeer herding is, together with the Sami languages, considered to be the core of the Sami culture."

Now I will be the first to admit that "Fatal Accidents and Suicide Among Reindeer Herding Samis in Sweden" didn't exactly make the best seller list — even in Sweden. Still, it brings to light that Santa's reindeer are being hunted and eaten! There's only 300,000 reindeer in Sweden and they are being hunted by natives for sustenance? Please don't make the pathetic argument that since our Inuits (formerly known as Eskimos) hunt and eat whales

for sustenance that the Sami should be able to do the same thing. When was the last time you saw a team of whales pulling a sleigh? Whales swim around and give Greenpeace something to do, reindeer however, have an entirely different and higher calling in life.

Shouldn't reindeer be protected by the International Santa Clause that specifically prohibits the hunting, cooking and wearing of animate Christmas symbols? I cite Santa's elves and excited children, all of whom are protected under the Santa Clause. When was the last time you cooked an excited kid? When was the last time you wore an elfmere (elf and cashmere) sweater? I rest my case. That the United Nations has not added reindeer to this protected list further advances the aim of naughty people (who didn't make Santa's list) to derail Christmas!

I'm waiting for the Bravo Network to create another inane gay show called "Queer Eye for the Straight Christmas." It will prove my point about how important reindeer are to Christmas, for comic relief if nothing else. Dancer and Blitzen will become a couple, there'll be a big fight over who gets to wear the ribbons and who gets to wear the bells. Before you know it, the candy canes will be flyin'...

Actually, according to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, while both male and female reindeer grow antlers in the summer each year, male reindeer drop their antlers at the beginning of winter, usually late November to Mid-December and female reindeer retain their antlers till after they give birth in the spring. Therefore, the reindeer pulling Santa's sleigh are actually an all-girl team.

Well, what a shock....females, even while pregnant, working around the clock to create memorable family events. Even if it means dragging an overstuffed sleigh with an overstuffed man all around the world in one night and not getting lost. Don't tell me reindeer aren't important!

So when you throw carrots on the front lawn for the reindeer to eat when Santa comes (please tell me I'm not the only parent who does that), maybe throw out a few Entenmanns cheesecakes as well. Every female is always on a diet and nothing gets that carrot taste out of your mouth faster than cheesecake....

My best wishes for a fun and memorable Christmas....and may God bless us.... everyone... Your gal, Sal.

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Star noted the sale of a watercolor, "Village of Amagansett," by William Trost Richards, and subsequent issues regularly reported on the community's growing cadre of artists. None were followed more avidly than the Moran family, headed by the renowned landscape painter Thomas Moran and his wife, Mary Nimmo, a noted etcher. Although not members of the Tile Club, the couple had heard from their friend Laffan about the East Hampton pilgrimage and paid their own visit to the village the same summer. They fell in love with the place, and five years later, in 1884, erected the area's first purpose-built studio residence. The house still stands at 229 Main Street, opposite what was then called Goose Pond, now Town Pond—where, after visiting Venice, the unconventional Morans installed a genuine Venetian gondola.

The Morans delighted in the area's "antique rural charm," so reminiscent of their native Britain, which they captured in atmospheric oils and exquisite etchings. The Moran clan included no fewer than sixteen painters, printmakers, and illustrators; whenever the family gathered at "The Studio," East Hampton had an instant art colony. Frequent guests included Thomas's brother, Edward, a marine painter, who came over from nearby Greenport, and Edward's sons Percy and Leon, who put up at "Rowdy Hall," Annie Huntting's boarding house next door to the Presbyterian Church. The God-fearing locals evidently regarded the establishment—where all-night poker games were known to attract some of the village's weaker-willed menfolk—with a certain degree of disapproval. In turn, they were baited on their way to Sunday morning services by the disrespectful boarders, self-described by Percy as "carefree young men just back from Paris and their art studies there," who would "open all the windows, put their feet on the window-sills and wave their beer mugs... and sing their most ribald French songs to the pious passersby."

In the summer of 1890, the *New York Evening Post*, reporting on the art colony's social calendar, noted that C. M. Dewey was leading a sketching class of twenty-four students in Amagansett, that the Moran brothers were again comfortably in residence at Rowdy hall, and that art exhibitions would be held across the street at Clinton Hall. The old Clinton Academy's upstairs rooms were often rented out as studio space, where informal gatherings of artists were a regular feature of the summer colony. Another highlight of the social season might be a musical evening at the Morans', with Percy, Leon, and their cousin Paul (Thomas and Mary's son) on guitar, mandolin, and violin. The Studio was also the scene of *tableaux vivants*, with members of the Moran family posed in period costumes as "living pictures." In 1891, these entertainments were praised in the *Star* as tastefully executed "with the artistic skill that has already made the name of the Morans celebrated in this line."

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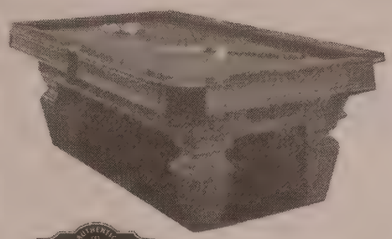

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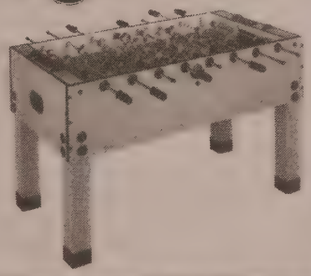

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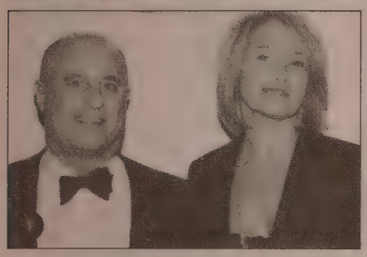

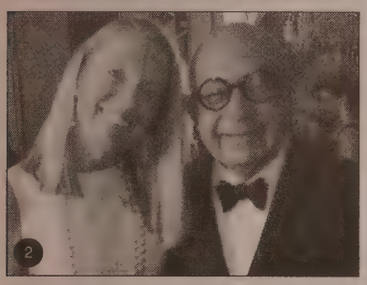

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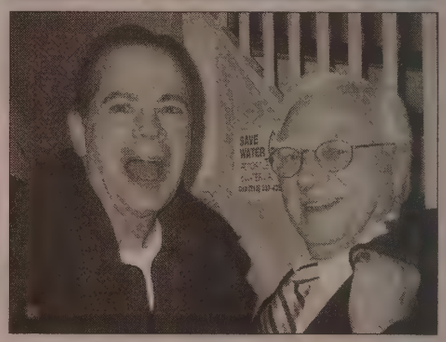
Never Gonna Dance, a new Broadway musical based on the Fred Astaire/Ginger Rogers RKO 1936 musical film, *Swing Time*, opened at the Broadhurst Theatre. The romantic comedy set in NYC features some wonderful tunes by the great American composer, Jerome Kern, spectacular dance numbers choreographed by Jerry Mitchell, and dazzling sets by Robin Wagner, including a glittering New York City skyline complete with beautiful lighting effects by Paul Gallo. The fabulous period costumes by William Ivey Long complete the sumptuous staging, but the razzle dazzle dancing by the entire cast is surely the evening's highlight. If you liked *42nd Street* or *Crazy for You*, you are sure to have one hell of a good time watching the exuberant cast dance their way into the audience's heart. Ted Hartley, who has a home in East Hampton, is one of the show's producers and has been showing up backstage with regularity to relish the enthusiastic atmosphere.



1. Noah Racey "Lucky Garnett" 2. Randie Levine-Miller of Southampton, Karen Ziemba "Mabel Pritt", Mimi Levine 3. Peter Gerety, "Alfred J. Mordanthal" 4. Ted Hartley, Patrick Christiano, SilvaRoad Productions 5. Peter Bartlett, "Mr. Pangdorn", George Grizzard

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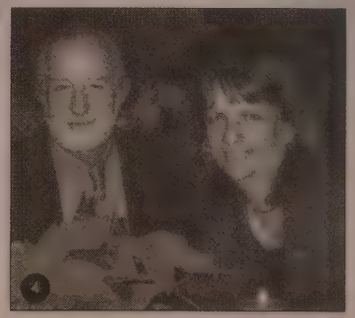
The Family Counseling Service 11th Annual Holiday Cocktail Party at Westhampton Country Club celebrated one of the worst winter storms in memory, the Blizzard of '03! Over 100 guests braved the gusts to enjoy scrumptious food by the warmth of two roaring fireplaces. Proceeds will support services offered by the agency to individuals and families in need.



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Dan's North Fork *Special (Last Minute) North Fork Shopping Guide*

Turning Ho Hum Into Ho Ho Ho

By Susan Whitney Simm

Last minute shopping jitters? Skip the mall and the predictable options and spend a relaxing day on the bucolic North Fork where you will find, not only all those gifts that you won't see anywhere else, you'll still have time, not to mention the inclination, to enjoy a latté at Greenport's Aldo's. Lucky enough to live here? Here's where to find what.

Holiday Cookies And Pies

Briermere Farms' pies are legendary. These pastries are so popular that folks line up at holiday time awaiting their turn. Raspberry peach, strawberry rhubarb and blackberry apple are just a few of the tempting flavors. Advance orders suggested. Sound Avenue at Route 105, Riverhead, 722-3931.

A Taste Of Country further east in Jamesport is a charming country store/bakery run by North Fork native Renee Reeve and baker/manager Holly Anton. All baked goods are made on site and include miniature napoleons, chocolate cupcakes iced in rainbow colors (just like Mom would bake), and cookie platters to order. Also a great place for breakfast – try the smoked salmon spread on a bagel, my favorite – and lunch. Open 6 a.m.-2 p.m. daily, 'til 3 Thursday-Sunday. Sound Avenue, 722-8276.

Kid Stuff (And Adults, Too)

A short detour south to Main Road brings you to **Arline's Ski & Board Shop** in Aquebogue, a great gifting destination for all your winter sporting enthusiasts' needs. On sale: snowboarding packages – including board, boots and bindings – $269 for juniors, $319 for adults. Skis by Obermeyer and Spyder. Great gift idea? A bus trip gift certificate to Mt. Snow on January 10. $80 includes lift ticket and transportation. Open daily 10-5, till 7 Monday-Friday for holidays. Main Road, Aquebogue, 722-8045.

Out east in Greenport, **Creations By Lisa** is THE place to shop if you have a little one, especially a girl, on your list. The spacious shop feels like a real country clothing store with its wood floors and friendly staff. Manager Carolee Doucett is helpful and enthusiastic, and you will find everything from tiny snowsuits and holiday dresses to glitter rings and beaded coin purses. Prices are excellent, and many items are on sale. Best buy for adults: genuine angora wool striped scarves ($24), and Tiffany look-alike chunky chain heart necklaces in sterling ($29). My favorite? Faux fur flip flops ($12). Open 7 days. 123 Main Street, Greenport, 477-9612.

Paul Rueckwald, owner of Down Home

Sculpted ceramic vessels at Gallery M

Sue Curran of Curran's Irish Shop

All Things Irish (Even Ronan Tynan!)

Around the corner from Creations by Lisa in Greenport is the charming **Curran's Irish Shop**, that sells lovely and sometimes hard to find items from the Emerald Isle. Owner Sue Curran will delight you with her brogue as you shop for Aran sweaters, Belleek China and Waterford crystal. Nicholas Mosse pottery is delightful – mugs and bowls circled with carrots and radishes – and you will find Irish tunes on CD that you can't find elsewhere. Great source for Claddagh rings, the traditional Irish symbol of friendship. 119 Main Street, 477-3503.

Blown Away At Gallery M

Don't leave Greenport without a visit to a few galleries. I hadn't been to **Gallery M** for some time and was thrilled by the caliber of items currently on offer. Blown glass vases by Klis, as much art as craft and fabulously high end ($1850), sit side by side with jewel-toned fused glass coasters ($42 set of 4) and stained glass kaleidoscopes ($38-165). Excellent handmade jewelry in all price ranges, and baskets by East Hampton's very own Wendy Van Deusen! The gallery represents sculptor Roberto Julio Bessin's lovely smaller works (the Greenport osprey's creator). Owner Myra Eisenberg has great taste and shop minder Everett Holland is a gem. Daily 11-5, closed Tuesdays. 308A Main Street, 477-9496.

Cosi Cosi, a shop/gallery at 120 Front Street Garden, is a newcomer to Greenport and offers everything from silk sachets to candle shade lamps (hard to find on the North Fork). The Backroom Gallery, replete with a burled walnut Steinway, features an original Rouault etching and the work of American Master August Mosca, including "N.Y.C. Bridges and Tunnels" and "Memories of Italy." 477-4222.

(Just down the street from Cosi Cosi is **Aldo's**, famous for his biscotti. He also makes great latté and hot chocolate.)

For The Gourmet On Your List

Don't miss Southold newcomer **Complement The Chef.** Brother and sister team Kevin and Joan Shannon have created a destination for those seeking all things culinary, including Cuisinart appliances, Wüsthof cutlery, wine stoppers, cocktail shakers, table linens, William Bounds pepper and salt mills, and Vietri ceramic and flatware. Great gifts here include books and backpacks: *How to Grill* by Steven Raichlen ("the BEST BBQ

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Celebrating The Holidays At Elbow Too
A Dan's "Best of the Best" North Fork Winner

Cliff's Elbow Too in Laurel is a real North Fork institution. Franklin R. Saunders, who passed away last August and is much missed, managed the place for 43 years. His wonderful wife, Ellen, was on hand along with the entire staff, including owner Cliff, Diana Binkis, Betty Olmsted and a few friends, last Monday night to celebrate the holiday season as well as their Dan's Papers' award. Congratulations, folks. You're the "best"!

–S.W.Simm, Dan's North Fork Editor

1. In memory of Franklin R. Saunders, Sr., who passed away on 8/27/03 **2.** Cliff Saunders, Ellen Saunders, John Donegan **3.The Gang's All Here – Left to right front row**: Irineo & Angelina Rangel with son Abelardo, Kelly Gennaro, Ellen Saunders holding their *Dan's Papers'* award, Betty Troyan, Jeannette Olmsted **Middle row**: Maureen Kaffke, Diana Binkis, Christina Hope, Cynthia Cormier, Scott Gennaro **Top row**: Theresa Wells, Brett Norris, Chef John Donegan, owner Cliff Saunders III, bartender Robert Cormier

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We would like to take this opportunity to remind you that holidays are soon approaching us and suggest you start thinking about your **holiday parties.** The Tuscan House will be offering catering packages starting at $10 per person. We can also cater your office party including delivery and set up.

Now that winter is nearing and this is the time when **comfort food** is our specialty, and is most welcome to everybody, we invite all to sample our new additional lunch menu.
We added Panini (Italian sandwiches)
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(soup and salad combos) and more.

One of the best parts is that our new lunch items will start **under $10.** This development enables everyone looking for an economical lunch of the highest quality to experience and enjoy the Tuscan House Restaurant.

We also started our Flavors of Italy Hour. This is where you can sample for $10 per person the different **regional wines of Italy** accompanied by assorted antipasto.
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By THE GLASS

With Susan W. Simm

Out Of This World: The Two Stars In My North Fork Galaxy

Though they may be in different orbits, chef/owner **Matthew Murphy** of Antares Café and winemaker **Eric Fry** of Lenz Winery share a special place in my universe. They are, simply, the best. There's some excellent competition out there, so this is not an honor bestowed lightly. But Matt and Eric shine brightest, and so this column is dedicated to these two extraordinary talents that we are so fortunate to have in our midst.

Not surprisingly, the two men share a number of traits. They are passionate to a fault, always eager to expand their respective horizons and lack, charmingly, the egomania so often encountered in their professions.

I've long since lost track of the number of meals we've enjoyed at Antares, but I never tire of the experience. The dining room always feels like an elegant little jewel box, and the menu and wine list never fail to excite.

On a recent evening, that dining room was filled with the delightful (and incomparable) buzz of happy diners as David and I dug into an appetizer of haddock, or finnan haddie as they say in its native Scotland, simmered in cream accompanied by plump oysters and toast points dotted with osetra caviar. Matt sent out glasses of **Paumanok's Riesling** and the match was made in heaven.

Next came a mushroom sauté that left David reeling and wishing for more. It was tossed with a handful of fresh linguine in a red wine demi-glace and kissed with white truffle oil. Matt once said to me, "I like white truffle oil on EVERYTHING." I believe him.

Entrees presented some interesting options, but we tend to experiment with appetizers because we are both so addicted to the ever-present salt-encrusted beef filet in red wine sauce with roasted shallots. Matt opened a bottle of **Chateau Carignan**, and after a chocolate soufflé with a molten center and caramelized walnut tart, it could have been my last meal and I would have died a happy woman.

Matt joined us for a glass of the Bordeaux after dinner and regaled us with stories of his restaurant ventures, which these days includes The Kitchen in Greenport where Kim, his adorable wife, now spends most of her time. We left sated and smiling, as usual. It just doesn't get better than this here on the North Fork.

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Eric Fry likes to say that he learned about wine "sitting at the left hand of God." The "God" he refers to is Robert Mondavi, and Eric, at a tender age, was appointed laboratory director at the prestigious winery, where he sat, awestruck, "to Bob's left at the table with the big boys." But Eric is quick to point out that the reason he sat there was because he could leap up at a moment's notice and fetch a bottle of wine for the legendary winemaker. "I was a gofer, really. If he'd of asked me to get him cheese and crackers, I would've done it."

Eric has made many of the best wines on the North Fork for Lenz since joining the operation in 1989. The now-famous tastings in which Lenz Merlot beat Chateau Petrus have become the stuff of legend, and Eric continues to grow by "pushing the envelope" to discover the limits of what's possible here in our maritime climate.

A fairly recent addition to Lenz's stable of top flight wines includes something mysteriously called "RD," and this had us intrigued. So last Monday we headed over to taste some wine with Mr. Fry.

(If you ever have the opportunity to taste Eric's wines with him, don't miss out. His enthusiasm is boundless and his knowledge vast, and he is anything but pompous, wanting most of all to teach people how better to appreciate wine for what it is, something to be understood and thus enjoyed as part of everyday life.)

The story of RD, explained Eric, began in 1990, when he got down to about 70 cases of **Lenz' 1990 Cuvee** to be disgorged (a process in which sediment, including yeast, is removed from the bottles), and decided instead to put them aside to let the yeast continue their quiet, anaerobic (sans oxygen) life in a dark place. Twelve years later, in 2002, the wine was finally disgorged – RD means recently disgorged – and Eric found that the yeast were actually dissolving from staying so long in the bottle. The resulting sparkling wine is, in Eric's words, "simply amazing." The wine has a creamy texture and honey-caramel character, with notes of butterscotch and an earthy, mushroomy quality. It is incredibly complex and delicious, and worth every penny of it's $50 price tag.

RD is not marketed outside of Lenz's tasting room – they don't have a lot of it but plenty of time to sell it. "Those who know and love good sparkling wine will buy it," said Eric. "They are the same wine drinkers that will buy the 1997 Old Vines Merlot, now only available in magnums in the tasting room." The fabulous Old Vines retails for $125, a wonderful gift for a serious wine lover.

Another great holiday food-friendly wine is the **Lenz 2001 Estate Bottled Gewürztraminer**. With an aroma so intoxicating you could almost skip drinking it and still get a buzz, this wine is dry but full of fruit with a slight bitter aftertaste – "totally intentional, like beer," said Eric – that keeps the intense fruitiness from being cloying. "People love or hate this wine, no in between." David loves it. He was so impressed when we barrel tasted it last year that a clear taste memory still lingers.

When asked which he prefers to make, reds or whites, Eric replies with typical candor. "I love all my children." Well, what's not to love? Happy New Year. Cheers.

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Tuscan House

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As you enter the Tuscan House, it is like moving into a different world. The outside of the restaurant is not particularly inspiring, but once inside you find warmth, color and atmosphere. This was particularly true on our recent visit for the whole place was decorated for Christmas.

Chef/owner Billy Oster is devoted to bringing authentic Italian cuisine to his patrons. He pays regular trips to Italy, particularly Florence and Rome, to add to his store of wonderful recipes. Billy is a purist in the best senses of that word. He insists that recipes be totally authentic and he works with only the finest and freshest ingredients. He also takes great pride in the selection of wines he has on offer, particularly some lesser known but exceptional Italian ones.

The first item Patty, our professional and knowledgeable server, brought out was a dish totally new to us. Puddica is a form of deep pocket foccacia bread filled with a wonderful medley of incredibly luscious grape tomatoes and lots of garlic and herbs. If we needed anything to convince us that this was going to be an evening to remember, this was it! A glass of excellent 2000 Pinot Grigio from Livico Felugga had great crispness and a good finish.

It is always interesting when a "peasant" food from one country becomes an exceptional dish in another, and the classic Tuscan Ribollita, a twice-cooked bread soup served with excellent Parmesan cheese was full bodied and tangy and just right for a chill night. Another opener, Peperoni Arrotalati from Sicily, consisted of roasted red peppers stuffed with an aromatic mixture of pignolis, olives and capers bound with a few breadcrumbs. The Tenuta de Treccino Chianti Coli Senesi we drank with this course was a perfect complement to these dishes.

A Tuscan version of chicken liver pate on sourdough bread was the best ever for us. Incidentally, all the bread is made by Billy and all dishes are made to order, so patrons are encouraged to come and relax and enjoy their meal as if they really were in Italy.

Naturally pastas form a major part of the menu and in fact there are sixteen varieties on the current menu. Here again, authenticity is strongly preserved and in the nicest manner, patrons are asked not to request modifications because changes often spoil the balance and integrity of the dish. So, pick one which appeals to you and anticipate the result. We sampled the sugo de carne, the classic meat sauce from Bologna served with pappardelle. Forget any so-called Bolognese sauce you my have tasted. This was a delectable, intense sauce with a superb texture and the pasta was incredible, perfectly al dente. The bucatini amatriciana with its mix of prosciutto and pancetta mingling with tomato, basil and sage tastes was another pasta dish to die for which, for me, someone not brought up on pasta, is a very rare admission.

Thankfully Billy understood that we could only taste, for his enthusiasm pressed us to try another dish new to us, cacciucco, a classic fish stew from Livorno in Tuscany. If you enjoy bouillabaisse or if you love fresh fish and shellfish, go for this incredible, massive dish full of blending yet delicate tastes and flavors. Finally, we enjoyed a wonderful presentation of veal scallops filled with fresh asparagus in a light tomato-based sauce with another of Billy's new wine finds, Vignetto il Puntone, a wine from the Morellino di Scansano region of Tuscany made mainly from Sangiovese grapes. Full of berries, licorice and soft tannins, look for this when it goes on the list.

Even though a full range of desserts were offered, we finished our sumptuous repast with a simple ice cream dessert and a double espresso and reflected on the wonderful culinary skills of Billy Oster. The Tuscan House offers authentic Italian regional dishes that we both agreed were consistently the match of the best we have eaten around the world, including Italy. The Tuscan House is everything that a restaurant should be and this exceptionally good Italian spot should be packed each night with people who love to eat. Perhaps I am going out on a limb here, but if Billy Oster had decided to open in East Hampton, I venture that there would be a three week waiting list at weekends to get a table.

The Tuscan House is open for lunch and dinner. Before the holidays, Billy offered an early evening "Taste of Italy" selection of antipasto and wine for the bargain price of $10. All I can say is that if he offers this again after the holidays, make sure you don't miss it!

–Roy Bradbrook

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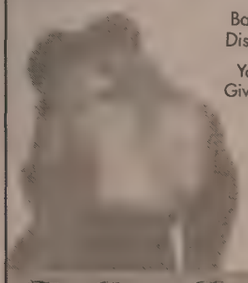

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book," said Kevin) and *Recipes From Home* by local vineyard owners/Manhattan restaurateurs David Page and Barbara Shinn. My pick? "Backpack" picnic cooler with service for 4. There's even an insulated holder for a bottle of wine. Local, of course. Open daily, Main Road, 765-3261.

You CAN Go Home Again At Down Home

On the border of Peconic and Cutchogue, the bears are still a familiar sight at Down Home, under new ownership this year. Shopkeeper Paul Rueckwald, a

Tea, anyone? Complement the Chef

Manhattan floral designer, has graced the lovely store with gorgeous fresh flower arrangements –to order or take along. Flowers and plants include ivy topiaries, hurricane lamps surrounded by greens, and amaryllis, among others. Balsam-filled velvet sachet pillows ($11-19), adorable locally hand-knit totes ($95) and fabulous Luella Ross patchwork designer hen and rooster with real feathers ($250-298) span the spectrum. I love this shop and want it all, but couldn't leave without a snow white angora throw ($165), a fresh magnolia leaf wreath that dries to a velvet bronze ($40-85), and a hand-painted box by local artist Stuart Sahm. And oh, did I mention the great book selection? Open daily, Main Road, Cutchogue, 734-6565.

Baker Holly Anton of Touch of Country

And Don't Leave Without A Bottle Of Local Wine

All North Fork wineries are open for the holidays and many offer great gifts in their tasting rooms. Of special note giftwise are **Raphael** and **Corey Creek** in Peconic, **Galluccio Family Wineries** and **Pellegrini Vineyards** in Cutchogue, **Macari** and **Martha Clara** in Mattituck, and **Paumanok Vineyards** in Aquebogue. Visit www.liwines.com for a complete list of vineyards and locations.

May your holiday season be a safe and happy one, and may there truly be peace on earth in our lifetime. Happy Hanukah and Merry Christmas to all.

North Fork Events

Big Event Of The Week

Meet the Artists' Christmas Sale and Party

You are cordially invited to attend a holiday party at the former Swezey's store, 127 East Main Street, Riverhead, on Friday, December 19 from 5-8 pm. Meet the artists, enjoy refreshments and do a little Christmas shopping. Greenport composer George Cork Maul and friends will supply the entertainment. Fifty-five local artists have transformed the empty storefront into an art gallery for the month of December. All work displayed is for sale including paintings, sculpture, photography, jewelry, pottery, knitwear and crafts. For further information, please call the East End Arts Council at 631-727-0900.

–S.W.Simm, wine@danspapers.com

SATURDAY, 20

BEACH PLUM CHRISTMAS – Oyster Ponds Historical Society's Old Oint House in Orient. Hours are Saturday and Sundays, noon- 5 p.m. through December 21. Call 323-2480.

SUNDAY, 21

HOLIDAY MUSIC SYMPHONY – Robert Klodt entertains in the beautiful Terra Cotta Café from 1-4 p.m. at Castello di Borghese Vineyards, located on Route 48 in Cutchogue. Call 734-5111.

MENORAH LIGHTING – At Mitchell Park at 6 p.m. in Greenport.

UPCOMING EVENTS

FIRST NIGHT CELEBRATION – On Wednesday, December 31. Artists, performers, vendors and food for a wonderful night through the streets of Greenport. Visit www.firstnightgreenport.com for more information.

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Away At School... By David Lion Rattiner

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

I was doing a little Christmas shopping for the family the other day. Christmas shopping for me has been tough this year. There are about ten people that I want to buy a Christmas present for and out of those ten, only two are under thirteen years of age. This can kind of pose a problem, mainly because people that are older don't really settle for an action figure or a video game for ten bucks.

No, older people demand expensive gifts. It's okay I guess, I mean, I want to buy presents for everyone, and I have a part time job that is paying me some money, so why not spend a paycheck on Christmas?

The main thing for me is figuring out something that I can afford for people that someone would actually want. Like my brother Gabriel for example. I was shopping around Boston the other day looking for a present for him and found myself going completely insane. I went into a record store and saw a CD player. Gabe really likes music. I don't really know his taste in CDs though. If I got him a CD he probably wouldn't like the one I picked out. I'm not even going to bother trying. But a CD player might do the trick. Maybe I could find one on sale for like forty bucks or something. I'd be willing to shell out forty bucks for the only brother I have that has been willing to take more physical abuse than Mike Tyson's sparring partner.

I looked at the price of the CD player, it was $99.99. I hate that. It's like am I not supposed to figure out it is a hundred bucks? Who do they fool? Is there really somebody that walks into a store saying to themselves, okay, I'm not going to spend any more than one hundred dollars on a CD player. Oh look, here is one for only $99.99! Yipee! I seriously doubt it.

Nope, sorry Gabe, I love you, but you're not worth a one hundred dollar CD player. I started looking around some more, got frustrated and walked into a toy store.

Now here is a place where you can find some gifts. It must have been so easy for my parents back in the day. Buying a present meant going to Kay-Bee toy store and getting the new hot toy that year, then going home and wrapping it up. I wish it was that easy these days. I have no idea what to get for my Dad, I mean what do you get for a guy like him? I guess he likes to write. What do I get him a pen or something? AHHHHHHH. I was freaking out in this toy store. I saw a Barbie, no. I saw a cute teddy bear, maybe? No. What are you, an idiot, Dave? Nobody in the family is a kid anymore, they don't want a teddy bear, why are you even in this toy store?

WHY IS THIS SO DIFFICULT! I walked outside, I was a wreck. I had been shopping for about two hours and I came up with nothing. I was feeling

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EAST END KIDS

T'is the season for kids – at least this kid. In December a kid can play in the snow if Mother Nature cooperates, although most Moms and Dads are not too happy about this kind of weather. I built my first snowman, threw my first snowball and caught my first winter cold of the season. And it's party time – Hurray! And best of all, as a cute little columnist, I got invited to a couple of movie events for kids, thanks to Peggy Siegal. I got to *Young Black Stallion* one week – my first trip

Emily with Birthday Boy Jared Kimmel

to the movies and I liked watching that beautiful horse and the young girl rider and that gigantic screen called IMAX. I would like to ride someday – maybe in the Hampton Classic (it's OK to dream) but for now it looks a little scary. The second party was on the day of the second blizzard. It was the premiere of the exciting adventure *Peter Pan*, and boy, was it crowded. Lots of celebrities and kids of celebrities and everyone had to be searched by a metal detector wand. My dad was laughing when he saw James Gandofini, aka Tony Soprano, getting frisked. We then went to a birthday party for my cousin Jared at Pizzeria Numero Uno. We made our own pizzas but mine was not as good as the slices at Bridgehampton Polo from Scotto's (Yummy!). Then we stopped by the Peter Pan afterparty at the Pierre Hotel. The film characters Peter Pan, Wendy, and Tinker Bell weren't there but a few kids in attendance were dressed as pirates and film characters. If I left my coat on I could have been in costume as a snowgirl. Well, it is our last EEK of the year. Happy Holidays and see you next year.

–Emily Hart Post

With a little help from David Post and Katlean de Monchy

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Classic Cars With Bob Gelber

Like the cities of the future that are often depicted under a glass dome with a controlled climate, the automobile that we drive today is a microcosm of that concept, with what is called climate control. With a flick of a small dial, one can control the environment inside his vehicle, so through thick or thin, heat or cold, the interior of the car will stay at that preset temperature.

Things weren't always that easy. European luxury cars of the fifties and sixties didn't even offer air conditioning as an option. Having owned a 1955 Porsche Speedster and a 1965 Porsche 356 SC Coupe, I can attest to the fact that they were about as basic as one could get when it came to climate control. The Speedster was a convertible, if you could call that silly flap of material a top, so to stay cool one simply lowered the roof. The 356 was a coupe that had large vent windows. Some of you may remember those triangular shaped pieces of glass at the front of the doors' windows that actually turned on a pivot to catch air when the car was moving and force the air into the car. These windows were adequate at highway speeds, but useless in traffic.

1965 Porsche 356

Speaking of vent windows, probably the biggest vent windows ever put on a production car were on the 1955 Mercedes 300 Gullwing SL coupe. This vehicle, which I consider to be one of the most significant sports cars ever produced, had an interior that would get very hot in traffic. The side door windows didn't roll down because of the gullwing design but they did snap out. In really hot weather it was not an uncommon sight to see Mercedes Gullwings cruising down the road with one or both doors open, like a giant bird with his wings unfurled, hence the name. To onlookers, it looked as if the owners of the cars were showing off, when in reality, they were just trying to stay cool.

I bought my Ferrari Lusso in Italy in the summertime and it was steaming in Rome. Of course in those days Ferrari didn't offer a sissy option like air conditioning. Neither did Mercedes. Air conditioning was for less than serious driver's cars, like Cadillacs and Thunderbirds. When I shipped the Ferrari back to Manhattan, for the next three years of ownership, it always ticked me off to sit sweltering in NYC summer traffic in my sleek and expensive Ferrari, while the guy next to me was smugly comfortable in his new Ford Falcon.

As we mentioned, the luxury foreign cars of that period, which are probably the most desirable cars of their era, had no luxury options like air conditioning, but also no power steering, power windows, automatic transmission or central locking. Read this and weep. A 1965 Porsche 356 Cabriolet cost $4,200, a 1965 Ferrari Lusso was about $12,000 and the 1955 Mercedes Gullwing cost $7,500. Considering the price of these cars today, those numbers are shocking. Has it been inflation or accessories that have caused such a rapid rise in automobile prices? Probably both.

On the subject of climate control, there is one facet of this we cannot control with the twist of a knob, and that's the outside weather conditions. Be careful driving this time of year. Here are some simple tips to save you grief this winter season. Avoid using your handbrake when parking your car overnight in wet slushy conditions, it could freeze up. On a wet, snowy night, avoid locking your doors because the key slot can freeze over. That is, if you lock your car manually. If you have central locking, ignore this advice. If you drive an SUV be aware of one thing. Even though you can drive through most slippery conditions, the four wheel drive does not help you in any way when it comes to stopping. In fact, because your vehicle is so heavy, it's harder to stop. Also, the fact that you sit so high means that your vehicle has a higher roll center than cars, so it's more tippy. Just use common sense and a light foot when driving in ice and snow.

I dont know why, but in the fifties and sixties, everybody seemed to get around pretty well without four wheel drive vehicles. Very few owned or drove them. There were Jeeps and Land Rovers, but mostly these were seen on the plains of Africa and in war movies. Maybe then, when the cars weren't so capable, it was up to the drivers to perform better. That's the ticket. Drive your car like it's forty years old. Make believe that you're on bias-ply tires with drum brakes for stopping power. Forget climate control. Use the best accessory, driver control.

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When In Manhattan...

Volunteering Kindness

This place where we live is pretty excellent, and most of us will be spending our holidays right here. We're lucky. Whether you have a ten-bedroom mansion south of the highway or rent a room in Springs, you're lucky. Don't forget it. The big picture isn't always easy to see, but there's a reason why the Hamptons are featured in everything from horribly vapid documentaries to episodes of *Sex and the City*. It's beautiful here, and the standard of living isn't half-bad. Even those of us who aren't living the so-called high life are going out to impromptu dinners with our friends at restaurants that most families in this country would save for really special occasions. There's no Olive Garden in East Hampton. These are the kinds of luxuries we are afforded, but not everyone is so blessed. When you hit Manhattan this week for your last minute shopping for those hard to find items unavailable in the Bridgehampton Commons, take a couple of hours to experience how fortunate you really are.

Volunteering at a soup kitchen may not sound glamorous, but it will do you and the recipients of your kindness a lot of good. Don't worry, you don't have to blow off Christmas to do it. The holiday spirit is so strong in our favorite neighbors in Gotham that most of the shelters and kitchens are overbooked with well-wishers for the actual eve and day of Christmas. Like church, many find themselves making an appearance about one or two days a year. Hold judgement, it's a great thing they find themselves there at all. So, since you've been spared giving up the big day, take the opportunity to go this week, or next, if you've got plans. Our good karma isn't limited to deposit at certain times. Not only will you be helping those in need, you'll be investing in your ability to appreciate what you have been given, or what you've earned. We all know how easy it is to forget.

The Holy Apostles Soup Kitchen in Chelsea states their mission: committed to feeding the hungry, comforting the afflicted, seeking justice for the homeless, and counseling and providing a sense of hope and opportunity to those in need. In 1982, as a response to the growing issue of homelessness in nearby Chelsea Park, The Holy Apostles Church served their first 35 meals, and the soup kitchen was born. Within weeks, they were serving 300 meals a day in their small mission house that was about the size of a living room. In 1990, what seemed to be a disaster turned out to facilitate an extension of the church's mission; a fire destroyed the roof and much of the interior, but the dedication of volunteers was strong. The church continued to serve, and was restored in 1994 with new accommodations for their growing population of needy visitors.

Holy Apostles now serves over 1,100 meals every day, Monday-Friday, year around. With the hot meals come laughter, good times, and a place for visitors to be welcomed with a warm smile and a brighter day. Soup Kitchen volunteers work Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. They need 40-50 volunteers daily to help run the Soup Kitchen, so you shouldn't have a problem finding a job for the day. Work just one day or make a regular commitment – it depends on you and your schedule. Volunteers assist in serving on the food line, greeting guests, collecting individual meal tickets, handing out drinks, and clearing and cleaning tables when the guests are finished eating. It's hard work, but everyone has a great time.

To volunteer, call the coordinator of volunteer programs, Clyde Kuemmerle, at 212 924-0167, ext. 237, or e-mail him at clyde@holyapostlesnyc.org. The Soup Kitchen is located at 296 Ninth Avenue (on the corner of 28th Street) in Manhattan, in the Church of the Holy Apostles. Give it a shot or look up another kitchen that is closer to you or the area you're visiting.

–Oliver Peterson

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cheap, nothing seemed reasonably priced. I would see a scarf for twelve bucks. What a rip off. I was falling out of the mood. I started to worry about losing all my money on Christmas. I figured I would just shop later or something. Maybe I just wouldn't get anything for anyone. Maybe I would give away my old stuff. This is just too much stress for one human being to endure. I put so much thought into this and for what? I know they are just going to open it up, no matter what it is, say thanks a lot, then move on to the next gift. Waiting, for the super gift. Dave the brother just gets us stuff for only twenty bucks or so, but Mom and Dad, I'm looking at a winter coat. I'm looking at a Play Station 2. I'm looking at something I can return to the store and get a hundred bucks back.

But Dave the bro, he just gets the stupid twenty dollar CD that I don't really like. I download all of my music anyway. It is the thought that counts though, he is a good brother. It's not like I got him anything all that great either.

It's tough isn't it? Christmas shopping should be rewarded. Somehow, someone should be able to recognize a person that really tries to Christmas shop and someone that just kind of goes out and gets whatever. The person that really tries should be honored in town by the new supervisor Ed McGintee. All of us that try hard to shop on Christmas should get a plaque and a pat on the back by a government official, then get a free massage somewhere. Christmas shopping shouldn't be this stressful.

ART COMMENTARY By Marion Wolberg Weiss

WHO SAYS ART AND BOOKS DON'T MIX: SHOWS AT QUOQUE AND ROGERS MEMORIAL LIBRARIES

Way back when, it was like being sent to Siberia if we had to go to the library for a homework assignment. Not true anymore. When did libraries evolve into centers for both intellectual and artistic pursuits, venues for research as well as meetings, lectures, films, and art exhibitions? No matter. Libraries cover the gamut now, no human endeavor too insignificant to consider.

That art exhibitions are becoming more popular in libraries, however, is still a relatively recent phenomenon. Initially, we'd guess that art served a decorative purpose to make the austere library setting more reader-friendly. Now, of course, respected artists show their work there, each piece equally respected in its own right. Two recent examples prove the point.

Kay Gadda Frankfurt's "Studies of Light, Color and Shadow" at the Quoque Library captures the artist's particular penchant for country lanes and porch furniture, her sense of freezing a moment in time especially potent.

But Ms. Frankfort's art functions in another way, too. It fits the library's mood: nostalgic, intimate and personal. The Quogue Library is one of those unique places where architectural style and demeanor go

"Fall," by Joan Kraisky

hand-in-glove with Quoque's village atmosphere.

Southampton's Rogers Memorial Library presents a different persona, although the shingled exterior with its turrets and gazebo also suggests the past. Yet this venue covers more space, appropriate for a larger number of patrons. Considering such a context, the art exhibits have more flexibility, enjoying a number of purposes.

The current show features two artists, Michael Knigin and Joan Kraisky. They couldn't be more diverse, and this only makes their exhibit space more lively. While Mr. Knigin's surreal pieces combining oversized, luscious flowers adrift in the cosmos present incongruity (nature juxtaposed with technology), there's another theme related to the library.

Life is here and there and everywhere in Mr. Knigin's work and at Rogers Memorial Library as well. (It, too, is a venue for life-affirming events like origami workshops, Latin style lessons, potluck lunches and concerts.)

Ms. Kraisky's landscapes are not unlike Ms. Frankfurt's pieces, alive with color and life. There's a suggestion of Surrealism in the former's art, but it's not as overt as Mr. Knigin's. Our favorites include a small watercolor, "Reflections," and a charcoal drawing, "View of Montauk." They are simple yet detailed, simultaneously. Quite a combination.

Both exhibitions will be on view for several weeks.

ART EVENTS

Art Events

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LIZAN TOPS GALLERY – "The Art of Giving", a group exhibition featuring paintings, works on paper, sculpture, ceramics, handblown glass and photography. The show will feature a wide variety of local artists. Many smaller and more affordable pieces will be perfect for holiday gift-giving. Gallery hours are 11-5 p.m. and closed on Tuesday and Wednesday. Located at 66 Newtown Lane, East Hampton. Call 324-3424.

VERED GALLERY – Secondary Market paintings, sculpture and photographs by Motherwell, de Kooning, Picasso, Marin, Porter, Katz, Haring, Man Ray, Miro, Kahn, Matisse and others. Located at 68 Park Place Passage in East Hampton. Call 324-3303.

PARRISH ART MUSEUM – The Parrish Art Museum's "Art Sandwiched In" Curator's Talks conclude this week with a discussion about figure drawings from the museum's permanent collection. The talk will be held, Friday, December 19 at noon. Located at 25 Jobs Lane in Southampton. Call 283-2118.

YOUNGBLOOD GALLERY – Alen MacWeeney will feature his images that have been diplayed on the pages of The New Yorker, The New York Times Magazine, Esquire and GQ just to name a few. Located at 26 Madison Street in Sag Harbor. Call 725-6260.

TULLA BOOTH GALLERY – Holiday reception will be held from 3 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 20. Beautiful affordable art and jewelry. Presents Interiors, Revealing Light photography exhibit extended through January 11. Featuring Lilo Raymond, Anne Chawtsky, Luca Pagliasi, Richard Ehrlich, Jay Hoops, Daniel Jones, Peter C. Jones and Andre Kertez. Gallery hours are Friday thru Monday 12- 6 p.m. Call 725-3100.

ARLENE BUJESE GALLERY – Gerson Leiber (of East Hampton) is exhibiting a selection of new paintings in oil on canvas. Shirley Bally is showing a selection of black and white photographs taken over a period of 30 years on travels around the world. Located at 66 Newtown Lane in East Hampton. Call 324-2823.

GUILD HALL – Four one person exhibitions will run concurrently in Guild Hall's four galleries run through January 11, 2004. Located on Main Street in East Hampton. Call 324-0806.

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BENEFIT SHOW AND GALLERY SALE – Holiday show and Sale to benefit the Children's Museum of the East End (CMEE) Workshops and classes program "Museum without Walls." Exhibition runs through Christmas. Holiday sale has most works in the gallery reduced 20-50%.The Ann Kolb Gallery is located at 46 Main Street in East Hampton. Call 324-3443.

PRUDENTIAL DOUGLAS ELLIMAN REAL ESTATE – Located at 138 Main Street in Sag Harbor will be holding its fall art show, "Elements". On display will be the work of three locally renowned painters, Alan Bull, Steve Alpert and Sandi Woessner. Call 725-0200 ext. 111 or 119 for more information.

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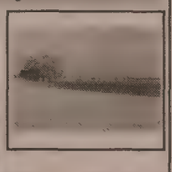

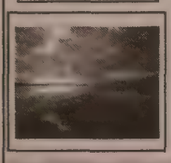

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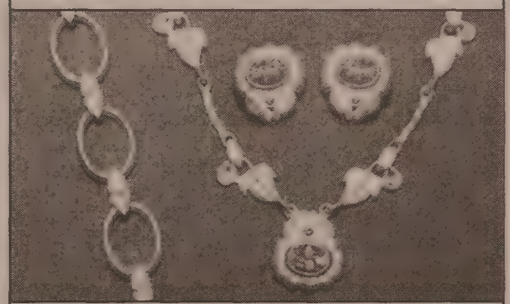

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Please e-mail or fax updates before noon on Friday to kelly@danspapers.com, Fax: 537-3330.

Movie Schedule

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19

PIERRE'S– Happy Hour is from 4 to 8 p.m every night. Dinner served until 10pm from Thurs. to Mon. & Brunch on Fri., Sat. & Sun. from 11a.m. to 5 p.m. Jazz on Sundays from 6:30-9:30 p.m.. Closed Tuesday and Wednesday. Located on Main Street in Bridgehampton. Call 537-5110.

GIN LANE – Great drinks and music. Located on Montauk Highway in Water Mill. Call 726-7585.

RUBI RED – Open Bar Party – free for ladies in the lounge from 9–10 p.m. Live music.. 290 Montauk Hwy., East Hampton. Call 907-8030.

GURNEY'S INN– Tangerine performs at 8:30 p.m. at one of the greatest resorts on the East End. Located on Old Montauk Highway, Montauk. Call 668-2345.

SOUTHAMPTON PUBLICK HOUSE – Bring your friends for house-microbrewed beers and gourmet bar bites. Enjoy the intimate pub and Southampton scene. For information call 283-2800.

OASIS– Fall bar/lounge will be offering happy hour from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Live music from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Located on Noyac Road in Sag Harbor. Call 725-7110.

75 MAIN – Karoake with Scott Rabin at 9:30 p.m. 2 for 1 drinks, complimentary horsoeuvres. Let the weekend begin. 75 Main Street, Southampton. 283-7575.

STAR ROOM – Music and DJ. The Star Room is located at 378 Montauk Highway (at East Gate Road) in Wainscott. Call 537-3332.

BAY & MAIN RESTAURANT & BAR– The Lone Sharks–Gene, Chris, Joe, Andy & Paul—and their many musical chums, wish you a "Happy Holiday Season" at 9 pm. Greenport.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20

PIERRE'S– Happy Hour is from 4 to 8 p.m every night. Dinner served until 10 p.m. from Thursday to Monday & Brunch on Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 11a.m. to 5 p.m. Jazz on Sundays from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Closed Tuesday and Wednesday. Located on Main Street in Bridgehampton. Call 537-5110.

GIN LANE – Featuring "The Hambonians" Sat. evening at 10 p.m. Enjoy dinner and drinks. Located at 1020 Montauk Highway in Water Mill. Call 726-7585.

GIORDANO'S – Saturday evenings piano music. Noyac Road, Sag Harbor. 725-4444.

RUBI RED – Open Bar Party free for ladies in the lounge from 8 – 9 p.m. Mama Lee & Friends will perform from 9 p.m. Located at 290 Montauk Highway in East Hampton. Call 907-8030.

75 MAIN – Miss Jo Carney does cabaret 7 to 9:30 p.m. during dinner. Late night DJ & dancing. Ladies night open bar 10 p.m. til? 75 Main Street, Southampon. 283-7575.

GURNEY'S INN– Des & Linda perform at 9 p.m. at one of the greatest resorts on the East End. Located on Old Montauk Highway. Call 668-2345.

RUBI RED – Red Lounge, cocktails at the bar and check out live music by the Mystery Band at 9 p.m. Call 907-8030.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21

PIERRE'S– Happy Hour is from 4 to 8 p.m every night. Dinner served until 10pm from Thursday to Monday & Brunch on Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 11a.m. to 5 p.m. Jazz on Sundays from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. (Tonight featuring Julie Bluestone) Closed Tuesday and Wednesday Located on Main Street in Bridgehampton. Call 537-5110.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 22

JEFF & EDDIE'S – Monday Night Football will be displayed on two new Plasma TV's. Late night bar menu and drink specials. Don't Forget to bring in the New Year with dinner served until 9:30 and bar open late.. Main Street, Sag Harbor. 631-725-0055

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25

PIERRE'S– Christmas Weekend – serving brunch and dinner. New Year's Day serving brunch.Call for reservations. Located on Main Street in Bridgehampton. Call 537-5110.

BELLES EAST – Nancy Atlas at 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. 256 Elm St., Southampton. 204-0300.

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JEFF & EDDIE'S – Hosts their Late-Night Lounge this Thursday at 10 p.m. Enjoy drink specials with chocolate and cheese fondu while you and your friends or that special someone relax by a warm fire. Main Street, Sag Harbor. 631-725-0055

film review: something's gotta give... by Dan Rattiner

Before this film review is over, you will have four different opinions about the movie *Something's Gotta Give* which premiered at the East Hampton Cinema last Friday. (*The Times, Newsday, Dan's Papers* and the moviegoers in East Hampton). This is a major motion picture starring Diane Keaton, Jack Nicholson and Keanu Reeves, almost all of which was filmed here in the Hamptons — on the beach in Sagaponack, in a summer mansion in Southampton, at Southampton Hospital and in the Barefoot Contessa on Newtown Lane in East Hampton. Among other things, copies of *Dan's Papers* were used as "set dressing" a search for which, during the premiere, led a wandering eye into all different corners of the silver screen in search or same. (There are two sightings.)

The film also had scenes in Manhattan and Paris. Nothing was too good for the crew that made this thing.

The *New York Times* reviewer A. O. Scott raved about the movie. "Mr. Nicholson and Ms. Keaton spar with the freedom of professionals with nothing left to prove, and Mr. Nicholson has the gentlemanly grace to step aside and let Ms. Keaton claim the movie. She, in turn, brings out the best in everyone around her. Mr. Reeves, liberated from *The Matrix* and the burden of being the One, mocks his own mellow blandness but conveys his character's ardor for Erica (Ms. Keaton's character) without the slightest hint of facetiousness.

"Julian (Mr. Reeves) had it right: she is a woman to love. 'You're incredibly sexy,' he says to her at one point. 'I swear to God, I'm not,' she replies.

"I swear to God she's wrong."

The reviewer for *Newsday*, John Martin, hated the movie.

"I never want to see *'Something's Gotta Give'* ever again, not in this life or the next, because if the movie contained a single genuine moment, one nanosecond of sincerity, about the very virtues it was supposed to be about, I must have blinked."

The story, in a nutshell, is about a 63-year-old man who is very rich, has never married, and is a womanizer with a golden rule: never date anybody over 30. He is taken out to the country house of one of his girlfriends, whose mother, a successful writer in her mid fifties is not supposed to be out that weekend.

Trouble is, while the girlfriend is in the bedroom making things nice and her soon-to-be lover is in his skivvies getting something out of the refrigerator, Mother (Diane Keaton) unexpectedly comes in through the kitchen door, having changed her mind about coming out to the house, and immediately gets on her cellphone and calls the police because there is an intruder. Her sister, who has accompanied her, grabs a kitchen knife to keep the intruder at bay. And thus starts this farce.

It is a wonderful farce. At the 4:15 p.m. show, the theatre was packed to the rafters, mostly with an older crowd who wanted to see these two legends, Keaton and Nicholson, work with one another, fall in love, fight, fall back in love and fight some more. What they watched was like an old Spencer

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Guy de Fraumeni's Hollywood In The Hamptons

Girl With A Pearl Earing
Something's Gotta Give

Dear Santa, please check your list 'cause I've been a very good boy, dutifully glaring at movies, good and bad, 'til my eyes glaze over like overripe sugar plums purple and crusty. However, I thank you for some bright sights for my sore eyes like the gleaming screen adaptation of Tracy Chevalier's novel, *Girl With a Pearl Earring*. It glistens with the eye-opening opalescent introspection of a genuine pearl. It gives rare insight into an artist's studio and world in a penetrating fresh way that transcends time and other films' mauled attempts. Director Peter Webber, working from a screenplay by Olivia Hetreed, authentically recreates the mid-1660 painting scope of the Dutch genius Johannes Vermeer, whose work prematurely exposed today's photographic freezing of time and place and the pulsating emotion underlying the glossy surface. Light and shadow interplay with astonishing accuracy in this film, as perfectly as in Vermeer's paintings, vibrantly depicting the creation of his famous "Girl With a Pearl Earring."

Griet is the name of the 17-year-old maid who posed for the painting and whose face and demeanor were to challenge "Mona Lisa's" hold on the public's fascination. She was stolid and not educated, walking somewhat gracefully in heavy wooden clogs. Her face is pearly white and encased in a whiter bonnet that adds nun-like chastity but cannot detract from her pubescent, large eyes and lips that speak of bulging sexual eroticism. Griet is enacted by Scarlett Johansson with such perfection in a role of so few spoken lines it is mind-rattling to think that Kate Hudson was to do the part. Watch her walk as she enters the painter's household with his petty wife, played by Essie Davis, and noisy family. Colin Firth is equally reserved as Vermeer but, as does Ms. Johansson, he produces a new-to-him startling, intense performance. I will not write of the seemingly obvious story line of obsession and its turmoil. Instead, I request you see the film and be swept up to the moment Griet poses and how she moistens her lips for the artist. Oh, Mr. Claus, thank you.

Here's another rarity, a movie in which an "older" woman who has everything, is wanted by a handsome younger man as well as an old playboy with a known propensity for young " chicks." You remember my problem with the holiday Christmas movie Love Actually, of love and romance, wherein two of the six men threw over their " older" women for young cherubic types. Well, here's a real holiday treat, Something's Gotta Give, which is written and directed by Nancy Meyers. Diane Keaton, in great form, is being pursued by Keanu Reeves, a 30ish successful doctor and that old letch, Jack Nicholson, who'd been dating her daughter (played by Amanda Peet doing "the nice young thing"). As Ms. Keaton's sister, Francis McDormand has the pithiest lines, but all ears and eyes are on Diane, who puts genuine joy into Santa's ol' bag. Smart Alecks would have ol' bag referring to Santa's "old lady," but Santa knows better. My best to the Missus, Santa Baby.

Guy-Jean de Fraumeni is the producer/ writer/ director of award-winning European and American feature films. He has been a judge at major film and TV award competitions, including the Oscars, the Emmy and various film festivals. He is assisted by Sarah Halsey.

MOVIES

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WESTHAMPTON BEACH PERFORMING ARTS CENTER (288-2350, ext. 116)

My Life Without Me–Fri, Jan. 2 – 7:30 p.m., Sat, Jan. 3 – 3, 4 and 7:30 p.m.,
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UNITED ARTISTS HAMPTON BAYS (728-8251)

Friday, Dec. 19- Thursday, Dec. 25

Honey–Fri thru Wed – 12:05, 2:30, 4:55, 7:10 and 9:45 p.m.
Wed/Thur – 12:05, 2:30, 4:55, 7:10 and 9:45

Mona Lisa Smile–Fri thru Wed – 12:50, 4, 7:10 and 10:20 p.m

Something's Gott a Give–Fri thru Wed – 12:40, 3:50, 7 and 10 p.m.
Wed/Thur – 1, 4, 7 and 10 p.m.

Lord of The Rings: Return of The King–Fri thru Wed – 12, 4:10 and 8:20 p.m.
Wed/Thur – 12, 4:10 and 8:20 p.m.

The Haunted Mansion–Wed/Thur – 12:15, 2:35, 5:05, 7:20 and 9:40 p.m.

Elf–Fri thru Wed – 12, 2:35, 5, 7:30 and 10:10 p.m
Wed/Thur – 12, 2:25, 5, 7:30 and 10:10 p.m.

UNITED ARTISTS EAST HAMPTON (324-0448)

Friday, Dec. 19- Thursday, Dec. 25

Lord of the Rings–Fri thru Tues – 12, 4:10 and 8:30 p.m.
Wed – 12 and 4:10 p.m.

Master and Commander– Fri thru Tues– 12:40, 4, 7:15 and 10:20 p.m.
Wed – 12:40, 4 and 7:15 p.m.

In America– Fri thruTues – 12:15, 2:40, 5:10, 7:35 and 10 p.m.
Wed – 12:15, 2:40, 5:10 and 7:35 p.m.

Something's Gotta Give– Fri thru Tues – 1, 4:20, 7:25 and 10:25 p.m.
Wed – 1, 4:20 and 7:25 p.m.

21 Grams– Fri thru Tues – 12:30, 3:25, 7:10 and 10:10 p.m.
Wed – 12:30, 3:25 and 7:10 p.m.

The Last Samurai–Fri thruTues – 12:05, 3:30, 7 and 10:15 p.m.
Wed – 12:05, 3:30 and 7 p.m.

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Friday, Dec. 19- Thursday, Dec. 25

The Last Samurai –Fri thru Tues – 12, 3:30, 7 and 10:30 p.m.
Wed – 12, 3:30 and 7 p.m.

Stuck on You –Fri thru Tues – 12:30, 3:40, 7:20and 10:15 p.m.
Wed – 12:10 and 4:20 p.m.

Lord of The Rings –Fri thru Tues – 12:10, 4:20 and 8:30 p.m.
Wed –

Bad Santa –Fri thru Tues – 12:45, 3:10, 5:30, 750 and 10:20 p.m.
Wed – 12:45, 3:10, 5:30 and 7:50 p.m.

SAG HARBOR CINEMA (725-0010)

Closed onWednesday
Friday, Dec. 19- Thursday, Dec. 25
To Be And To Have– Fri/Sat/Sun – 4 p.m.
The Station Agent– Fri/Sat/Sun/Mon/Tue/Thu – 8 p.m.
Pieces Of April– Fri/Sat/Sun/Mon/Tue/Thu – 6 p.m.

HAMPTON ARTS TWIN (288-2600)

Friday, Dec. 19- Thursday, Dec. 25

Something's Gotta Give – Fri/Sat 2, 4:35, 7:10 and 9:35 p.m., Sun thru Wed –12:30, 2:50, 5:10 and 7:30 p.m.,Thurs – 1:30, 4, 6:30 and 9 p.m.

The Last Samurai – Fri/Sat, 12:45, 3:35, 6:15 and 9:05 p.m., Sun thru Wed 2, 4:45 and 7:30 p.m.

Cold Mountain – Thurs – 12, 3, 6 and 9 p.m.

VILLAGE CINEMA GREENPORT (477-8600)

Friday, Dec. 19- Thursday, Dec. 25
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The Last Samuri – Fri – 8 p.m., Sat – 2, 5 and 8:30 p.m., Sun – 2, 5 and 8 p.m.
Mon/Tues/Wed – 7:30 p.m.

Stuck on You – Fri – 7 and 9:30 p.m., Sat – 2:30, 4:45, 7, and 9:15 p.m., Sun – 2:30, 4:45, and 7:00, Mon/Tues/Wed – 7:45 p.m.

Something's Gotta Give – Fri – 7:15, 9:40 p.m., Sat – 2:10, 4:40, 7:20 and 9:40 p.m. Sun 2:10, 4:40, and 7:20, Mon/Tues/Wed – 7:15 p.m.

Love Actually – Fri – 7:10, 9:35 p.m., Sat – 2, 4:30, 7:10 and 9:30 p.m., Sun 2, 4:30 and 7:10 p.m., Mon/Tues– 7:45 p.m.

Lord of the Rings: Return of the King – Fri – 7 p.m., Sat/Sun – 3 and 7:10 p.m.
Mon/Tues/Wed – 7 p.m.

Peter Pan – Call for Showtimes on December 25

Lord of the Rings: Return of the King – Call for Showtimes on December 25

MATTITUCK CINEMAS (298-SHOW)
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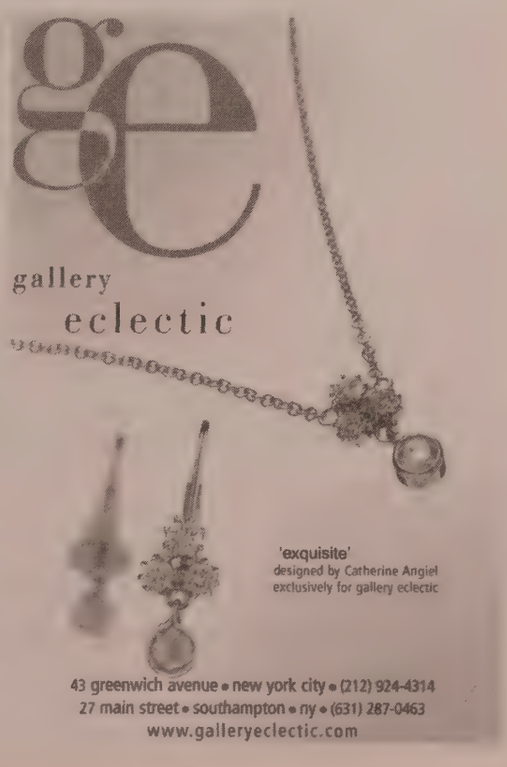
Tracy-Katherine Hepburn movie and it was just as good or even better because it was contemporary. The crowd loved it. They howled. They screamed. They laughed.

A fair assessment of the film is that these two gave Academy Award performances, that the dialogue is as funny as that in a Neil Simon play (or a Woody Allen movie) and that the message of the movie — that love can find people at any age — rings sharp and true. I found that parts of the plot did not ring fully true — the Reeves-Keaton relationship did not seem well worked out probably because Keanu Reeves is just plain too young for this role — but in general, the film is a grand hoot. On a scale of 4, I give it a 3, with another half because they made it here in my home town.

If you like, we invite you to play Where's Waldo? with this movie and try to locate the two fleeting moments when copies of *Dan's Papers* appears in the film. First one with the correct answer gets lunch for two at a local restaurant.

Also watch for a showing of this film at the *Dan's Papers* They Made the Movie Here Film Festival next year.



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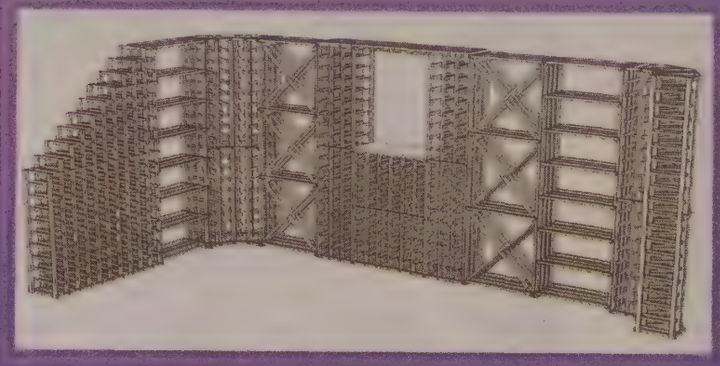

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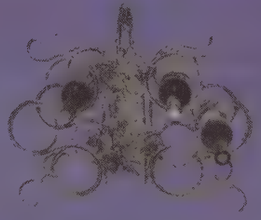

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–Nancy Baxter

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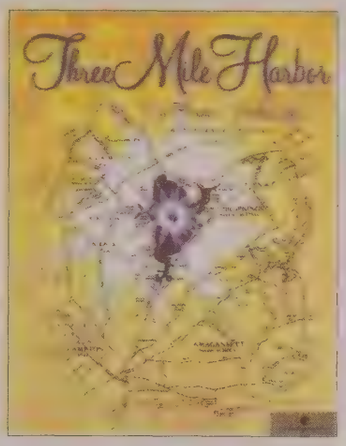

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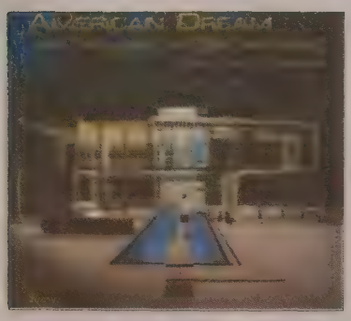

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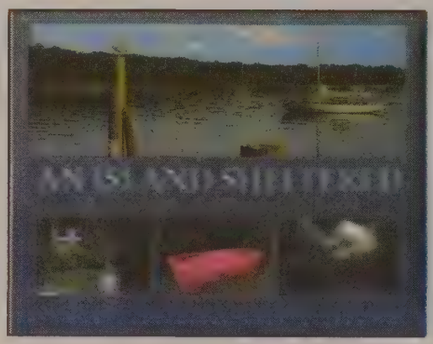

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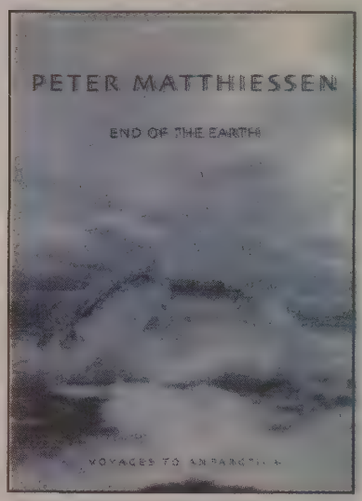

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Chocolate: Smooth and Silky

In the world of chocolate, we Americans have come a long way since the Hershey bar. It is difficult to say what the greatest change has been: the move to high-end, fine chocolate; the artful blending of the more than 500 flavor compounds in cocoa beans; the vintage and couverture labeling of chocolate; the numerous boutique chocolatiers springing up; or the recent discovery of the health properties of chocolate.

Natural chocolate is made from cocoa (solids and butter), sugar, natural vanilla and often soya lecithin. The cocoa tree is found within the latitudes just north and south of the equator, and takes ten years to produce its first fruit. The Aztec and Mayans initially crushed the cocoa beans to make beverages, and the beans were so valuable they were used as currency. The most prized beans with full flavor and low acidity were called Criollo. They remain so today, but are now quite rare, representing only 5 percent of world production. Eventually, the Spanish discovered this treasure during their invasion and brought it to Europe and eventually America.

Like fine wine, the country of origin and estate of the beans are a measure of the quality of the chocolate. This is a factor of soil, climate, harvesting, blending and processing of the beans. And like wines, the name of the beans and such terms as Grand Cru, Single Origin and Single Estate are now used on the labels. Some of the superior names in chocolate today are *Michel Cluizel, Amedei, Valrhona, Callebaut* and the American *Scharffen Berger*

Chocolate quality is based on the cocoa content, the more the better. Premium dark chocolate has between 50 and 85 percent cocoa. Higher percentages are available, but tend to taste bitter. And what about milk chocolate? This is a less pure product, as the addition of milk, often dry or condensed, significantly lowers the cocoa content. Europeans call milk chocolate 'children's chocolate.' Also the poorer quality beans, vegetable oil, extra sugar, additives and vanillin of mass-produced milk chocolate often produce a dull smell and waxy, gritty aftertaste. White chocolate, which contains no cocoa, is technically not chocolate at all. The Chocolate Manufacturers Association notes that in the past 12 years American preference for dark chocolate has increased from 15 percent to 30 percent. Connoisseurs also recognize the value in using better quality dark chocolate in cooking to enhance taste and aroma.

In the past few years, gourmet chocolate has been moving into the culinary landscape currently occupied by wine, cheese, olive oil, beer and coffee. Gourmands are offering tastings and flights of chocolate to complete a festive meal. The mere mention of the word chocolate ignites the senses, which excites chocolatiers hard at work refining the sight, smell, taste and texture of their products. The color of premium chocolate is a result of the beans used, and can range from reds to copper to dark brown, meaning that darker is not necessarily better. Fine chocolate has a fruity, earthy and sometimes floral aroma, while poorer quality may tend toward smells of plastic, smoke or rubber. Premium chocolate has a silky, smooth, and complex yet balanced taste, which lingers on the tongue as it moves around and melts on the palate.

And, for what is doubtlessly the best news in years for chocoholics, research now shows that premium chocolate is actually good for you. The antioxidants in dark chocolate, called flavonoids, lower your cholesterol, and improve the flow of blood in your arteries, helping to ward off heart attacks and strokes. Chocolate is also full of amino acids which help reduce the risk of cancer, ease a hangover, and...did we already know this...act as an aphrodisiac.

There are a few locations for fine chocolate in our area. Bruce Greenberg, President of Nuts About Chocolate in East Hampton, is obviously knowledgeable and passionate about chocolate. He has owned the shop for the past six years and recognizes that, "Everyone has a child inside that nostalgically remembers some candy they enjoyed years ago. I try to bring that experience back to them." While explaining details of his store's expansion and the delicate process of producing chocolate, he graciously gave me a sample of his favorite dark chocolate covered marshmallow. As

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Shoes: Show You Love Her

Instead of jewels this year, why not buy a pair of shoes for someone you love? Guys, if you're looking for a unique and special gift idea, why not give her a pair of Jimmy Choo, Manolo Blahnik, Gucci, Chanel or Prada classic black heels? A girl can NEVER have too many pairs!

My theory for justifying the price tag on some of the hottest shoes is simple. You get what you pay for. A good quality pair of shoes can last ten years or more. Five to six hundred dollars divided by ten equals

fifty to sixty dollars per year. That sounds like a bargain when looked at from this perspective.

Shoes can basically make or break an outfit. Today women wear heels not only to dress up, but also when they dress down. A casual pair of jeans can be transformed into a trendy and stylish look by adding a basic pair of designer heels. Three and half inches can

do wonders for an outfit. And if you're on the shorter side, a bit of height can give you a longer and sleeker line. As for the tall female population, you may want to go with a pair of flat shoes for that shorter, frumpy look. I've heard it's the latest in fashion and all the rage in Milan.

When selecting a pair of shoes that are right for you, there are a few considerations to always keep in mind. First decide on the style. Are you looking for a classic shoe, sporty shoe

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a lifelong chocophile and former resident of Belgium – arguably the chocolate capital of the world – I can confidently state that his product is right up there with the best.

Greenberg offered some helpful pointers on preserving chocolate. He cautions, "While there is no need to refrigerate it, except for fragile, freshly made truffles in warm weather," good chocolate must be preserved in a dry place at a temperature below 70 degrees. Otherwise it changes color and loses its taste and texture." It should be noted that most fine chocolate comes with an expiration date, and some, such as butter crèmes and truffles should be consumed within four days.

Hugo Johner, owner of the Fudge Company in Southampton, is busiest this time of year turning out dozens of gift baskets for the holidays. The shop, which specializes in...what else...fudge, offers between ten and fifteen different varieties, as well as other high-end chocolates. When asked for some information about his store, which has been in business for 32 years, he smilingly replied, "We have a lot of repeat business, and no one has ever returned a gift from here!"

One of my favorite recipes, modified from *The Return of the Naked* Chef by Jamie Oliver, first published in 2000, is for Chocolate Pots, a perfect holiday treat, which can be made a day or so ahead of time and kept refrigerated. The beauty of this dessert is that it is so smooth, silky and rich. Small servings are the key - espresso cups are the ideal size. You can top them with whipped cream, colorful sprinkles, berries or even a small candy cane!

Chocolate Pots

Serves 4

One half-pint whipping cream

8 ounces/200 grams of fine-quality dark chocolate (preferably at least 70% cocoa solids)

2 large egg yolks

3 tablespoons good brandy

1 and 1/2 tablespoons softened butter

In a thick-bottomed pan, heat the cream until nearly boiling. Remove and set aside for 1 minute before adding in small broken pieces of the chocolate. Stir until melted and smooth. Once melted, beat in the egg yolks and brandy and stir until smooth. Allow the mixture to cool slightly before stirring in the butter until the mixture is again smooth. Pour into individual serving pots and refrigerate. (Sometimes if you add the butter when the chocolate isn't cool enough it will make the chocolate look as if it has split. To rectify this, allow the mixture to cool a bit before whisking in a little cold milk until you have a smooth consistency again).

–Sarah Engel

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Have A Very Animated Christmas

It's time again, you see. Time to watch the specials that are the favorites of you and me. Those Stop-Motion classics, new and old, are quite something to behold. Characters who sing and play in rhymed loops of loopy delight can even give you quite a fright. But it wouldn't be Christmas, not Christmas at all, if we missed those Stop-Motion classics that follow fall.

As soon as you hear Burl Ives' sonorous voice narrating the story of Rudolph as Sam the Snowman (no relation to Frosty), you know it's Christmastime. Arthur Rankin and Jules Bass are the production team behind some of the best-loved holiday TV specials from the past forty years. *Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer* (1964), is their best known and most widely seen work. It is the longest running and highest rated special in television history. The special tells the untold backstory of Rudolph and his friends that you never knew from the famous song. Sort of a *Behind the Music* without the booze and drugs, although there is a bouncing Bumble and an Island of Misfit Toys. This Christmas you can give actual misfit toys as presents. There is a wide array of models and toys based on characters from the special available. Feel secure in the knowledge that you are saving an abandoned toy.

Less well-known is 1970s *Santa Claus is Coming to Town* which features the voice of Micky Rooney as Kris Kringle, the familiar Stop-Motion production, and some dated, but nonetheless groovy flower power-era visual touches. Rankin and Bass also produced *The Little Drummer Boy* in 1968, perhaps the least entertaining of all their work. The 23-minute made-for-TV special retells the fable of the Little Drummer boy, and is a sign that the Rankin/ Bass production team was pushing the formula too far. Were drugs involved? Could VH1 produce a *Behind the Claymation* special? *Drummer Boy* is flat and dull compared with the other holiday specials they produced, which most likely accounts for how rarely it's shown. In 1979, Rankin and Bass added *Jack Frost* to their Stop-Motion pantheon of Holiday favorites. With the voice of Buddy Hackett it isn't necessarily a Holiday tale, but definitely one for a snowy night.

Nightmare Before Christmas, Disney Studios

Stop-Motion might soon be a thing of the past. It's history extends back to the very early days of film, when filmmakers first discovered what sort of tricks could be played by taking motion pictures one frame at a time. To produce a Stop-Motion sequence, the camera is stopped between each frame, everything on the set that needs to appear to move is adjusted by a tiny increment and the exposure taken. Repeat for a few weeks or months depending on complexity, and you have yourself a sequence. The process is pain-stakingly slow and arduous. Studios will not want to spend time and money on an animation process whose look they think can be faked with computer-animation. Hamburger Helper and the Pillsbury doughboy, both formerly Claymation figures, have become computer-generated. By producing computer-animated 3-D characters (horrifyingly, sometimes with the voice of Ray Romano) they will be missing the textured and lavish look that artful Stop-Motion achieves, as well as the cheeky fun that not-so artful Stop-Motion provides. Because the articulated figures or models used in stop-motion animation are photographed three-dimensional objects, they create a sort of imposed reality that cannot be achieved with any other method. Stop-Motion technique is responsible for everything from King Kong's ambling to Jason and Argonauts clacking marching to the Armies of Darkness in *Evil Dead 3*. Davey and Goliath and

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This is the time of year that there is pure joy, excitement and the anticipation of enjoying all of the glorious foods that celebrate the Holiday season! Where to begin? Who to call to arrange for a divine Christmas or Chanukah dinner for 25? In addition, who will take care of all the other important details such as rentals of tables, linens, chairs and fine china that are needed to set the tone for the Holiday spirit? Not to mention arranging for accomplished staffing to serve and attend to your guests and hiring savvy bartenders to make dreamy eggnog martinis to toast the event need to be attended to. Besides digging out the heirloom ornaments, swaddling the chandeliers with garlands of faux sugared fruits, or placing the menorah center stage, resources for all of the above must be available to you so you can proceed efficiently.

While visions of sugar plums and fruit cakes are lovely to think about, the reality of making all of this happen can be somewhat stressful and time consuming. As an event planner for Paul Evans Caterers, I am here to give you hope and a sense of reason, and to help you accomplish all of your multi-tasking. In addition to hosting parties, special gifts for family and business associates also have to be sent. What will you be sending this year to make a grand impression on Uncle Walt?

From the start, hiring a caterer who has years of experience is always the way to go when planning anything big or small. For 27 years, throughout the Hamptons, the Gold Coast, and Manhattan we have been providing all of the elements that result in successful functions and pleased clients. That same expertise is needed to arrange your Holiday party, with ease, and the sense of confidence that all will be done properly, so you can relax.

Since this is a special time of year, entertaining creatively is a must. We offer many sophisticated and artistically presented menus that will make your entertaining simply sensational. One of our favorites is the Ultimate Extravagance Dinner.

Jumbo shrimp cocktail, Lobster Pate a Choix with Montrachet, seared duck breast with morel mushroom-filled crepes and wild rice asparagus pancakes with Sevruga caviar and creme fraiche. That is only the beginning. The dinner course of sliced Filet mignon accompanied by sweet potato puree, a salad composed of Chevre, toasted almonds and berries in a champagne honey vinaigrette, and divine desserts of our rich chocolate ganache fruit tartlettes and poached peaches in Sauvignon Blanc will certainly be in the spirit of food at it's best for the season. Offerings from many diverse menus can be obtained, either delivered or with full staffing.

For a Chanukah celebration, our legendary homemade potato pancakes and chunky applesauce, accompanying our traditional cuisine, will be plentiful and welcoming for this important Holiday. Bright blue linen with gold gelt strewn on the table, with pineapples and apples and potatoes sprayed gold, will sparkle and delight for the occasion.

Looking ahead to New Year's Eve, we have composed an outstanding menu that can be delivered prepared and ready for you to celebrate in style. Start with a French antipasto of crepes composed of Cabernet figs and Gorgonzola, asparagus wrapped with prosciutto de parma and other delicacies, and move on to the main course of a Seafood Bounty of chilled lobster halves, garlic and herb infused jumbo shrimp, lump crabmeat salad and Dijon salmon presented on skewers. In addition, add grilled winter vegetables, homemade foccacia and our "to die for" decadent desserts. What a way to welcome the New Year.

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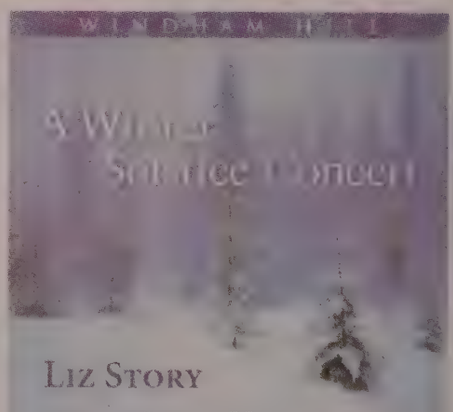

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Last night you felt like an extra cast in the party scene from *Breakfast at Tiffany's*. Mah-velous company. Mah-velous libations. Mah-velously, in reverse order. Since you've always wanted to see your name in print (just not in the local blotter), you secure safe passage home. Teeter-tottering, you find your way to bed. With one leg draped over the edge to keep it from rocking, you lay your head upon a downy pillow. Glimpses from the party dance before your droopy lids. There you are snappy, erudite and (dare we say) witty.

As the sun reaches midpoint in the sky, what was but a faint echo ringing between your ears now turns into a head-splitting throb. Daylight threatening to sneak in from behind closed blinds has you ready to run and hide...if only you could move. Ah, the Yuletide has claimed another victim. Yes, we know, you'll never, ever do it again. But promises today won't make that awful taste in your mouth go away, or calm the millions of butterflies who have sought refuge in your belly.

Doctors say by the time a hangover hits it's too late to do much to make a person feel better. They advise rest, plenty of water, and over-the-counter pain medications as the nearest thing one will find to a hangover "cure." So much for science.

It's no wonder homespun remedies run rampant. As long as drink has been around so have attempts to quell the after effects of too much tippling. The ancient Romans swore by the restorative powers of eating fried canary, while "hair of the dog" cures have been popular since Shakespeare. Based on the homeopathic principle of "like cures like," it was believed if one put a hair from the dog that bit you into the wound you'd be healed. If only it were so easy. Tit-for-tat, drinking alcohol as part of a hangover remedy may present its own set of problems...

Does this mean the morning after Bloody Mary is the stuff of urban legends? Maybe yes. Maybe no. Science supports the fact that juices help to replenish lost nutrients and re-hydrate a body quicker than water. And since a hangover is a mild form of withdrawal, a drink may feed the need, but sadly it won't help a hangover in the long run.

According to Dr. I. M. Bibe, "for every person in the world there is one foolproof hangover cure: Don't ever drink." Of course, not everyone is so inclined, especially during the holidays where one toast could easily lead to several.

The trick is never to drink enough to get "rip-roaring-that-lampshade-is-calling-my-name" drunk. In other words, this thing called moderation is key. There are several precautions one may take to avoid, or at least minimize the season's numero uno festive illness:

- The first is not to drink too much.
- Second, drink water as you go.
- However tempting, "just say no" to shooters.
- Stay away from cheap hooch. Instead, pick the higher quality choice. If you drink different concoctions over the course of an evening, expect to have to contend with a wider spectrum of unpleasant side effects.
- White wines are generally safer than reds, but a good red is better than a cheap white.
- Always dilute liquor with water or fruit juice.
- The saying: "Liquor before beer, never fear. Beer before liquor, never quicker" holds true. Carbonated mixtures (sodas, champagne, beer) release gas, which forces uptake of alcohol at a faster rate.
- Avoid caffeine, as it increases the amount of alcohol absorbed.
- Rumor has it Pedialyte (before nighty-night) is perfect for taking the bite out.
- Finally, take a multivitamin and drink as much water as possible before going to bed.

Oh, and remember the bit about the blotter...don't drink and drive. So, here's to healthy and happy toasting!

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or one-of-a-kind ornate shoe? Second, decide what color and material. Will it be patent leather, fabric, alligator etc.? Third, comfort and fit. Comfortable shoes are very important and you should make certain that you can actually walk in their selection properly. On the other hand, I have to admit there have been a few occasions where I sacrificed a bit of comfort to look good. Finally, decide on the designer that fits your taste best.

Sarah Jessica Parker has almost single handedly been responsible for introducing many of us to the world of Manolo Blahnik. In every episode of *Sex and The City* I look forward to catching a glimpse of her shoes. Manolo Blahnik grew up in the Canary Islands and began sketching shoes as a child. His 30 years of experience in the shoe industry has made him an icon in the celebrity world of high fashion. I personally have my heart set on a pair of Manolo "Classic Pumps" in black leather. Retailing at a mere $445, these sexy stiletto heels will last for years and are labeled as "Classic" because they will never go out of style. His "Embossed Ankle-tie" sandal priced at approximately $630 and "Rose Crisscross" alligator slide for $995 are also very popular.

If you want to talk about overnight success, then let's discuss Jimmy Choo. Launched nearly six years ago with the vision of president Tamara Mellon and creative genius of designer and creative director Sandra Choi, this line has been on the rise ever since. What started as a single shop in London has grown into a huge success that includes over 150 retail stores worldwide. You can purchase the "Laurie" sling-back basic navy leather pump for $445. Jimmy's "Elite" (wet look leather) shoe will cost about $480. The list of choices goes on and on.

Gucci, Prada and Chanel also offer a wide-range of high-end classic and innovative shoe designs in the same price range. Locally, you can find all these designers at Saks Fifth Avenue in Southampton. Other establishments that carry these lines include Neiman Marcus and Bergdorf Goodman.

If you want to really surprise the woman in your life, check out her shoe size and hit the store. Time is running out. If my friends and family ask, I wear a size 7 1/2. –Kelly Marcioch

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Goliath and their bizarro world, less Christian (yet non-Mountain Dew pitching) doppelgangers, Wallace and Gromit are well-known Claymation characters, as is Gumby. Since so few Stop-Motion productions were around at the time, the low-tech *The New Gumby* revival show in the 1988 actually served as a training ground for many of the animators who worked on Tim Burton's *Nightmare Before Christmas*. *Nightmare* could be the last great stop-motion classic.

Nightmare Before Christmas owes a heavy debt to the old Rankin/ Bass specials that served as its inspiration. In *Nightmare,* Christmastown has something of the look of *Rudolph*, with just a little bit of Dr. Caligari thrown in. Holloweentown, on the other hand, is an unadulterated German-expressionist's madness. Jack Skellington and his cohorts' Christmas exploits might be the pinnacle of the Stop-Motion art, and serve as a fitting elegy. –John Capone

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Bad Gift Ideas From Around The World

In these days of the singing "Boogie Bass" and plastic gift cards redeemable for "One Free Backrub" – there are many horrible choices for gifts come holiday time. I've searched the globe and come up with a few more actual products you might want to keep off your list.

From our resourceful friends to the north: The Canadians have taken their preverbal lemons and made lemonade. Yes, that's right, Moose Dropping Jewelry. Described by the vendor as "The ultimate in recycled products, this jewelry is made from real moose droppings that have been sealed with a hardened lacquer finish. Earrings, tie tacs, lapel & hat pins. Also available are a necklace and a key chain/zipper pull. Each piece is odor-free and is hard to the touch. A great conversation item!" What's that conversation like? "Your earrings are made out of WHAT?!" And for those allergic to Moose there's always the "Elk Dropping" alternative.

To the south, from Mexico: The Mexican Hat – Salsa and Chip holder. Press the button and the Condiment Holder will open, play that infectious little ditty "The Mexican Hat Dance," and then close automatically after 6 seconds. (Yeah, but what if I'm a 7 second chip dipper?) Tell me that's not going to get real annoying, real quick.

General gift buying note: Be leery of anything that plays music besides audio equipment.

If you are looking to buy your loved ones condiment holders to celebrate the birth of baby Jesus or the miracle of the Macabees, I think the gift of two bowls might be more practical.

For the confident lothario in your life, there is, from swinging England, the "Shags Address Book" – a pocket-sized mini leather-finished address book with the word "Shags" embossed on the front. Gentlemen, I can't think of a smoother move than when you ask her for her number at the Talkhouse and you pull out the little black book with the name that says it all. Whatever happened to the cocktail napkin? This comes from a UK catalogue shop that carries items where an asterisk next to the listing denotes the item is "un-returnable for hygiene reasons."

By far, the French have the most wonderful gift suggestions. Because as we all know, when they are not producing some of the world's most sophisticated wine and cuisine, they are busy creating outrageous novelty items.

The Revenge CD: Advertised as a "great way to get back at those annoying neighbors! Give them a taste of their own medicine with any one of these 20 ear-splitting sound effect tracks. Anyone who's ever lived in an apartment will really appreciate this hilarious CD. Earplugs supplied for your listening pleasure."

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Robert Benchley can finally rest in peace. Now one can literally slip into a dry martini (or at least a dirty one) with new "Cocktail Bar Soaps." These French products are touted to "turn every bath into a party! Completely non-alcoholic, but just as spirited as the originals. Some of the buzz-worthy scents: Cosmic Cosmopolitan, Dirty Martini, and Primal Mai Tai. My question is: what do you tell the cop who pulled you over? "No Officer, I haven't been drinking – I've been washing with Sloe Gin Fizz."

In the spirit of charity and compassion, this holiday you might want to pick up the "Lucky Beggar Purse," another Gallic goodie. New York City's homeless, who use crushed coffee cups to panhandle for change, inspired this unique-looking coin purse. The design is modeled after the famous New York City coffee cup, featuring the well-known blue and gold motif and the phrase "We Are Happy to Serve You." Well-constructed of durable, printed leather, the purse closes with a sturdy zipper. I'm happy to hear proceeds from each sale go to a homeless outreach organization. Maybe next year they can make donations from the gold plated shopping carts and bag-lady clutches they have planned. The ad proclaims "A great gift for homesick New Yorkers!"

On that note, I guess if they could bottle the scent of midtown in August, that too would make "a great gift for homesick New Yorkers!"

From Egypt: Ping Pong Crystal Bears. Nothing says Yuletide more than the Ancient Egyptian craftsmanship that went into fashioning these pure Leaded Crystal figurines that depict 2 Bears and a Ping-Pong Table.

"Wow! Thanks, honey. You traveled all the way to the mysterious land of the Nile. You visited the Sphynx, the Great Pyramid of Giza, the tomb of King Tutankhamen. It's just what I wanted, two bears playing ping-pong made out of crystal."

Have a very happy holiday everyone and next time you see me, don't forget that the "One Free Backrub" voucher expires in February.

–Samuel Sheffler

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Shop 'til You Drop... With Maria Tennariello

It's countdown time, only two more weeks left to shop. For the late shoppers, there are so many wonderful things out there for you to choose from. Let's do some holiday shopping!

At **O*Suzanna** on Main Street in Westhampton Beach the offer is still available to local business people, 10% discount on all merchandise in the store...The offer is good until December 31. Can't beat this one!

The Designer Outlet on Main Street in Westhampton Beach is packed with clothing, accessories and jewelry. Included in their "Save Up To 90% Off" sale is Polo, Cynthia Rowley, Giorgio Armani, Bob Mackie and many more designer pieces. There are great gifts for everyone on your holiday list, even kids, toddlers and newborn. Be prepared to walk out with at least two large shopping bags full of gifts...

For a neat new look for the holidays, **Rosanti Floor Covering** in Westhampton Beach is having an incredible "Holiday Blowout Sale" with an additional 40% off their already low area rug prices. Choose brands such as Tommy Bahama, Kathy Ireland just to name a few.

Twist on Jobs Lane in Southampton is having their "Holiday Sale" on ladies contemporary women, girls ages 7 through 12, and children's clothing and accessories...and their entire stock is 20% off... Because of the big snow storm we had recently, **Kim & Me** could not get to their store...Located at 91 Jobs Lane in Southampton, it features children's clothing and unique gift items for both children and adults. There is a vast array of specialty gifts for holiday shoppers including Blanc D'Ivoire candles, room sprays, scented sachets, draw liners, fine Italian porcelain espresso and cappuccino cups, fine leather goods, martini glasses, coasters, rattan ice buckets, twoille boxes, photo frames, waste baskets, tissue holders, hat boxes and custom frames original photography of local landscapes.

Bernadette O'Brien Fabrics and Interiors located at 260 Hampton Road in Southampton is staying put...Thinking of moving her shop, she decided to stay in Southampton and has reduced everything including her fabulous selection of material and fabrics, furniture, candles, lamps, upholstery, hand blown glass vases, quilts, draperies and a large selection of charming fine children's clothing and accessories. Now is the time to get in there and get your holiday shopping finished...

Also on Hampton Road in Southampton at **Saks Fifth Avenue**, look for some wonderful selections from the **Zoelle Bracelet Collection Holiday 2003**. The collection includes sterling silver bracelet slide pendants in solid heart or flower ($48), engravable clover ($58), engravable bar ($48), engravable heart, peace sign or star charm ($58), open flower or open heart $30. The bands come in black leather, royal blue leather, pink crocograin, brown leather, berry or crocograin. A very special gift for that special person on your list...You will love the collection, trust me on this one!

If you would like to see a nice collection of **Blossom Haven Flora and Accessories** 2003 holiday gifts, they are being showcased at **Gallery Eclectic** on Main Street in Southampton. Erica-Lynn started out in North Haven and her items are hand-made with a combo of funky, beautiful fabrics and one-of-a-kind designs. The jewelry travel bag ($38) and Baby Bag ($28) is this seasons new poetite pouch.

For great pottery and ceramic gifts stop off at **Waterstone** on Mariner Drive in Southampton for their "Holiday Sale" that is 20% to 40% off selected pottery.

At **Double Rainbow** at the Citarella Plaza on Montauk Highway in Water Mill, you will not leave this shop without finding something for everyone and anyone on your holiday list. This store is packed with wonderful gifts, cards, wrapping paper, Hello Kitty, art sets, Breyer Horses, gift baskets for all ages, Thomas the Train, Lego, Brio, holiday candy, Godiva chocolates, and so much more. I especially loved the Scalextric Slot Car sets that are on of the hottest items out there right now. Gift-wrapping is free and Double Rainbow will ship anywhere in the U.S. This shop has it all for grandparents, parents and kids...Give a call at 726-2582 if you are looking for anything special, and tell Grace I sent you!

Barn arage Antique & Home Furnishings (set back) on Montauk Highway in Water Mill is having their "Christmas Sale" going on...If you are looking for a fresh idea in one-of-a-kind giftware, look no further than here. There is a great personal selection of merchandise and if you mention my name...you will receive a free gift. Well, am I flattered!

Did you know that **Loaves & Fishes Cookshop** located in Bridgehampton on Main Street, carries Viking kitchen utensils? Just in time for holiday gift giving, they are a perfect choice. Check them out on their brand new website: www.landfcookshop.com and start ordering!

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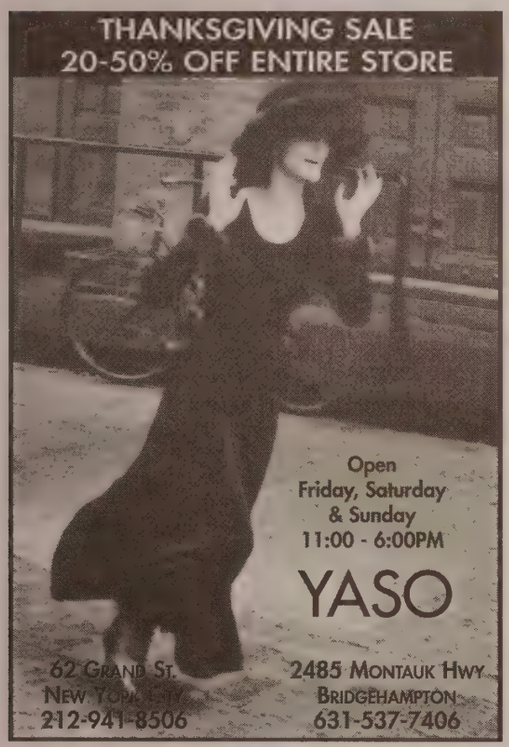

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Biba East Hampton is having her annual $10 to $60 "Holiday Blowout Sale" with her bags, accessories, jewelry, children's fabulous holiday outfits and accessories and more. There is plenty of affordable merchandise to choose from and you can dress the whole family from head to toe, and look like a million...

Christopher Fischer Cashmere Collections on Main Street in East Hampton and Jobs Lane in Southampton is having their "Fall Sale" with 30% to 50% off select merchandise. New arrivals are here including their holiday and resort collections.

Ho, ho, ho, **Bulgar USA**, is having their "Holiday Warehouse Sale" at Five Hardscrabble Court (Unit 4) in East Hampton...The sale is running every Monday thorough Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and lots of merchandise has been added to their inventory including shaggy sheep wool throws (made in Bulgaria), hand-painted furniture, hand-tooled metal lamps, wood furniture and of course, their signature hand-thrown, hand-painted pottery that are treasures from a hidden culture. I was glad to hear that Bulgar's famous merchandise will be on QVC in June 2004, stay tuned...

At the **Ann Kolb Gallery** at 46 Main Street in East Hampton, a "Holiday Sale" is in progress. Most items in the gallery are reduced 20% to 50% including jewelry by Simon Seebag, Echo of the Dreamer and Cynthia Chuang, "Splash watches, painted furniture by "Sticks," wearable art, wool coats by Adventura of New Mexico, hand painted leather jackets by Char and Shreve designs, evening bags by Moo Roo and Giclee prints by illustrator Arlene Graston of Aesops Fables and Fairie themes. The sale is running through Christmas. Get going!

One of my favorite gifts to give are gift certificates and special skin care products for the entire family from the **Style Bar Day Spa** located on Bay Street in Sag Harbor. There are so many products on the shelves, they fit everyone's lifestyle. I found a product call Philosophy and one of Oprah's picks from this line is the "Gingerbread Man House," which consists of gingerly hot salt scrub for tub and shower, "Cinnamon Buns," a rich shampoo, conditioner and body scrip and "Kiss Me" lip gloss (love their mascara). Another hot product is Bloom, Blue Q, Lucky Chick, and men's products such as "Anthony Logistics For Men," Jack Black, Brave Shoulder, and more, all gift packaged and ready to go under the tree. I might give a quick mention of a medicated, vitamin enriched skin cream that is produced in Japan called Yu-Be. It was there secret...Not any more! Gift certificates are another way to give a gift for spa services, manicures, pedicures, massages, facials including microdermabrasion, and the beat goes on...I purchased a gift certificate for my mom, who will be spending the Christmas holiday with me this year. I know she is looking forward to a manicure, pedicure and I added a hair color and cut by their top stylist Angie, who does incredible haircuts and color...Give a call at 725-6730 for information.

Did you know that Debbie Rudoy has opened her **Pilates Studio** on Long Island Avenue in Sag Harbor? Good idea for holiday gift certificates at this fitness center that focuses on core strength. She has designed the studio to feel like a personal fitness center with great attention to detail in collectible mirrors, light fixtures, changing artwork and great trainers. Debbie is a certified Pilates instructor will offers this method of exercise that strengthens and tones muscles. The "Winter Weekly Special" gives you or yours ten private sessions for $650. There are many special sessions to choose from, give a call at 725-5994.

D.J. Hart on Main Street in Sag Harbor has it all going on! She has great holiday merchandise such as beaded slippers, custom jewelry designed by Dee herself, luxurious body products, French soaps, clingy tops in velvets, glittery earrings and bracelets ($8), French sparkly hair clips and so much more.

Nearby at the **Sag Harbor Pharmacy**, you will be surprised at all the gift items that are available for your holiday shopping. Stop in and see this little mini-gift shop for yourself.

This is our last issue for the year. *Dan's Papers* be back on the stands on January 9, 2004. Have a safe, healthy and happy Christmas and New Year.

Until next year. Ciao and Happy Holidays.

Q. I heard about the new product, Tom Valenti's MacNut Oil that is sold out east. Can you please tell me where I can purchase it for my holiday recipes? – R.J., Water Mill.

A. I can tell you right away that I myself have heard so much about this cooking and serving oil and I am happy to give you locations where you can purchase it. It is presently available at: **Second Nature Markets** (East Hampton and Southampton), **Natural Foods** (Westhampton), **Citarella** (all locations) and **Grace's Marketplace**, **Health Nuts**, **Gourmet Garage** and **Zabar's** in New York City. Or, check out their website for their Hampton Recipe of the Week at: www.macnutoil.com –MT

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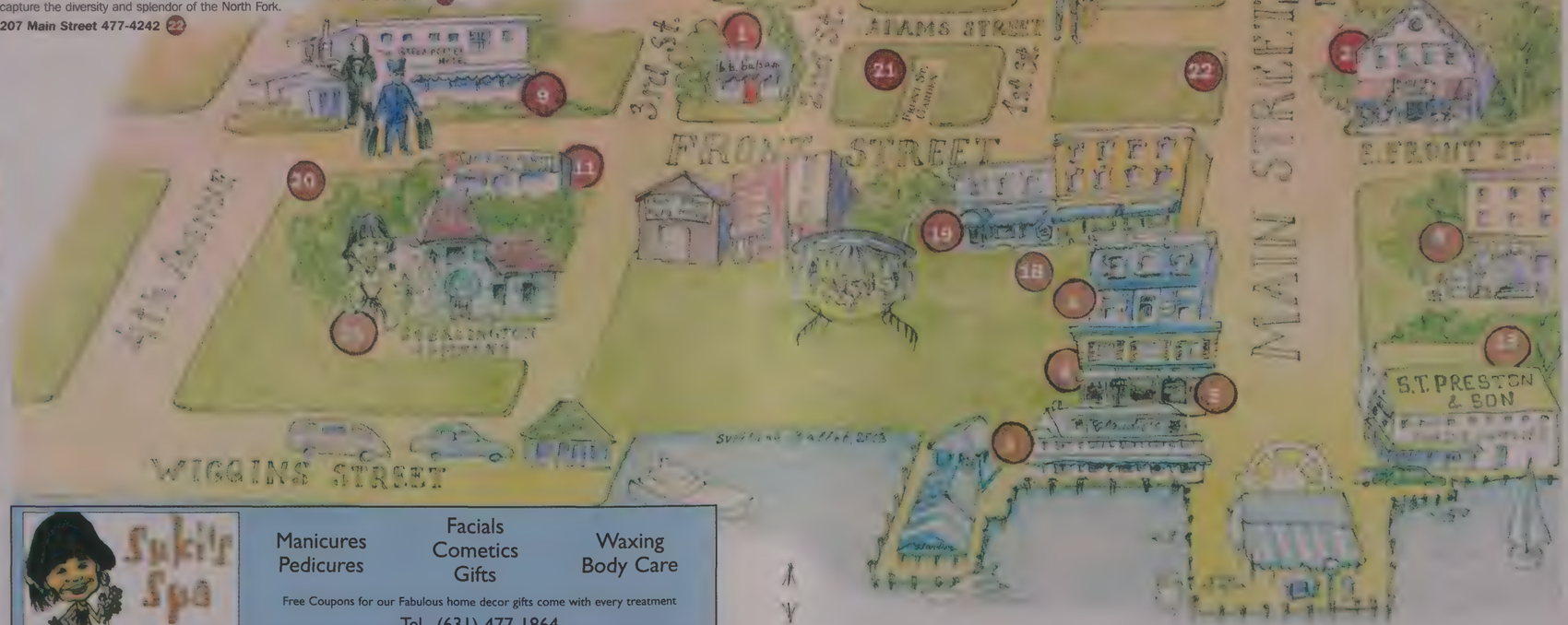

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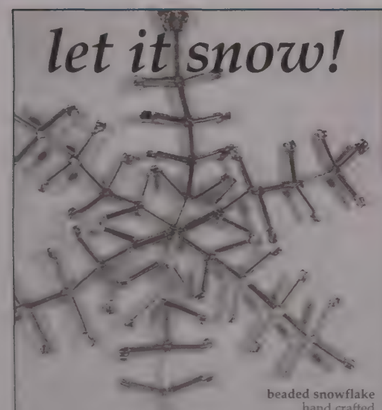
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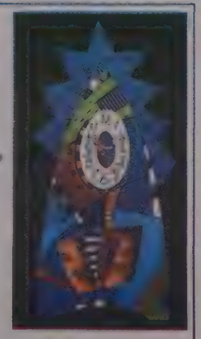
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FRIDAY, 19

FILMS ON FRIDAY – Popular films screened at the John Jermain Library, Main Street in Sag Harbor at 6:30 p.m. Tonight "A Christmas Carol." No children permitted unless accompained by an adult. Please enter via Main Street entrance. Call 725-0049.

STORY TIME – At the John Jermain Library, Main Street in Sag Harbor. For all ages from 10:30 to 11 a.m. Free Advance registration required. Located on Main Street in Sag Harbor. Call 725-0049.

SOUTHAMPTON COUNTRY HOLIDAY MENORAH LIGHTING – The lighting of the first candle will take place at 3:45 on Friday. Lighting of the third candle, Sunday at 4:30 p.m. Located at the corner of Jobs Lane and Main Street on the lawn of the former Roger's Library. Handel's Messiah will be performed at 7:30 p.m. on Friday at the United Methodist Church. Santa will be on Main Street on Saturday afternoon and Mrs. Claus, Rudolph and the Evergreen Choir will visit the town on Sunday afternoon. Call 283-0247, ext. 222 or 225.

A CENTURY OF CHRISTMAS – From December 19-31, the Gateway Playhouse presents the world premiere of *A Century of Christmas* at the Patchogue theater. This variety show includes juggling, singing, dancing and a living Nativity. Tickets are $30-35 for adults, $20 for children twelve and under and $71 (adults only) with an open bar, buffet and champagne on New Year's Eve. Call 286-1133, 1-888-4TIXNOW or log onto www.gatewayplayhouse.com.

CHRISTMAS MUSICAL CELEBRATION – On Friday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 10 a.m. Located at Living Water Full Gospel Church, 69 Industrial Road in Wainscott. Call 537-2120.

SATURDAY, 20

SANTA AND A MOVIE – A village holiday celebration at 11 a.m. Free and open to the public. Located at the Westhampton Beach Performing Arts Center. Located at 76 Main Street in Westhampton Beach. Call 288-1500.

CANIO'S BOOKS – Canio's Books will host a customer appreciation party and reception from 5 to 7 p.m. *The Americana Series* by Kathyrn Szoka will also be featured. Located at 290 Main Street in Sag Harbor. Call 725-4926.

BOOKHAMPTON – Santa will be stopping at all three Bookhampton locations. He will have lots of free gifts for children of all ages. The schedule is as follows: Southampton (91 Main Street) 11 a.m.-12 noon, Sag Harbor (20 Main Street) 1-2 p.m., East Hampton (20 Main Street) 4-5 p.m. Snacks will be served and photos allowed. Call East Hampton at 324-4939, Southampton at 283-0270 or log onto www.bookhampton.com.

A SEASONAL CELEBRATION – The Parrish Art Museum is celebrating the holidays with a gospel concert at 4 p.m. Features seasonal food and drink in the museum galleries followed by an inspiring gospel performance by D.C. Hatcher and the Holy Family in the museum's concert hall. Seating is limited for the performance and advance registration is required. Located at 25 Jobs Lane in Southampton. Call 283-2118, ext. 20.

TEA WITH CHARLES DICKENS – At the Southampton Historical Museum. Includes refreshments and holiday tales at 2 p.m. Free admission. Located on Jobs Lane in Southampton. Call 283-2494 for more information.

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE – At South Fork Natural History Museum from 1 to 3 p.m. Learn about about future exhibits and programs planned. Located at 377 Bridgehampton/Sag Harbor Turnpike. Holiday refreshments. Call 537-9735.

COMMUNITY WINTER SOLSTICE CELEBRATION – "Pot Luck" dinner by candlelight, ceremony, community drumming and dancing at the United Methodist Church of Southampton, located at 160 Main Street. Bring a dinner dish for six people and a drum instrument if possible. Suggested donation $8/adults, $2/children. Proceeds benefit the Helping Hand Fund for local non-profit organizations and the needy at 7 p.m. Call 728-9102.

EAST HAMPTON LANTERN TOUR – East Hampton Historical Society's Evening Lantern Tour at 7 p.m. Tour begins at 151 Main Street in East Hampton and will continue down Main Street onto the Osborne Jackson House. Tickets are $10. Reservations recommended. Call 324-6850.

SANTA VISITS – The Southampton Chamber of Commerce. Refreshments and photos with Santa ($1). Located at 76 Main Street in Southampton from 2 to 4 p.m. Call 283-0402.

ANNUAL NAT'L AUDUBON SOCIETY CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT – A special dawn to dusk census of all birds found in a 15 mile radius. Today, Montauk birds counted. Fieldwork for experienced birders only, but backyard feeders are encouraged to participate in the feeder count. Call Hugh McGuinness at 907-5229 or 725-6037 to participate.

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SUNDAY, 21

CELEBRATE WINTER SOLSTICE – Prayer service, creative activity and light refreshments in celebration of the shortest day of the year and Incarnation of the Devine. Siena Spirituality Center, located at 615 Montauk Hwy in Watermill from 3 to 5 p.m.Tickets are $15. Call 726-4740.

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TUESDAY, 23

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SATURDAY, 27

FAMILY PERFORMANCE – Chip Bryant-Silent Clown. Chip brings to life the world of wonder in his original one man physical comedy show, entitled "Listening With Your Eyes." Located at The Parrish Art Museum, 25 Jobs Lane in Southampton at 2 p.m. $2 Museum members, $5 non-members. Call 283-2118.

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BOOKHAMPTON – East End resident Leonard S. Bernstein will discuss his new book, The Official Guide to Wine Snobbery at 5:30 p.m. Located at the East Hampton store (20 Main Street). Call 324-4939.

WINDHAM HILL'S WINTER SOLSTICE TOUR – A performance of music from the season by Windham Hill artists Liz Story, Samite and Sean Harkness. Shows at 3 and 8 p.m. Located at the Bay Street Theater in Sag Harbor. Tickets are $45. Call 725-9500.

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MOVIE AND MUNCHIES MARATHON – Featuring *Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Rings and The Two Towers.* Movies begin at 1 p.m. Registration requested. Located at Rogers Memorial Library in Southampton. Call 283-0774 ext. 548.

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ECOZOIC NEW YEAR'S – Celebrate New Year's Eve in gratitude and awe, mindful of our planet's sacred 595 million mile journey around the sun. Enjoy the final sunset of 2003 and welcome in the New Year at dawn. Wednesday, January 31, 1:30 p.m. – Thursday, January 1 at 10 a.m. Cost is $125 Commuter $75. Facilitators: Jeanne Clark, OP, Margaret Galiardi, OP Joyce Hummel, OP and Tom Stock (Register by 12/23) Located at 615 Montauk Hwy in Watermill. Call 726-4740.

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THURSDAY, 1

KWANZAA CELEBRATION – The town of East Hampton Department of Human Services invite you to join us in our 12th celebration of Kwanzaa. The event will be held at the Senior Center, located at 128 Springs Fireplace Road in East Hampton. The festivities begin at 3 p.m. and will include music by Anthony Hayes. Food and refreshments will be served. Call Michael Butler at 324-4947.

TRAIL WALK – Participate in the North Haven Trails Association's Start Your New Year Right Trail walk that will start in front of the North Haven Village Hall at 10 a.m. The walk will take approximately 45 minutes. Contact John Hilgeman at 725-4764 or Jeanne Vielbig 725-0102.

FRIDAY, 2

NEW YEAR'S YOGA RETREAT – An experience for enhancing health of body, mind and spirit through meditation, yoga exercises, conversation and delicious food. Friday, January 2 at 6:30 p.m.- Saturday 3rd at 4 p.m. Cost is $145 overnight, $90 commuter. Facilitator: Jaki Jackson (Register by 12/23) Located at 615 Montauk Hwy in Water Mill. Call 726-4740.

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SUNDAY, 4

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Holiday Dinners Seasoned With Love

The holidays have fallen on my head with a vengeance. This year, I need more than hired help to bring off a Holiday feast. To feel centered while shopping, cooking, and serving, I wear a calming potion called Emotional Rescue Massage Oil from www.himalayanwisdoms.com. Whether your menu includes plum pudding or potato pancakes, here are suggestions from two local food experts to help you enjoy family dinners.

The Daniel Lanzilotta motto is: Put Spirit Back into Food. He works as a food consultant and culinary concept development expert for restaurants in the New York and Connecticut areas and keeps a second home in France. Some years ago, after he witnessed the general health, mood, and mental clarity of home-bound and nursing home patients improve when they ate real food, not canned or frozen ingredients, Daniel turned to family cooking therapy. He calls his therapy "food psychodrama" because it brings together family members that normally have little to do with each other.

After working in theater and television for several years, he married the art of cooking with theatrics and design. Daniel has seen "the joy of eating return" for sick or disabled people especially when they share the cooking experience with family. Daniel's private clients include celebrated chefs, troubled families, and physically disabled or visually impaired persons.

Using natural ingredients is important because the simple act of washing and chopping vegetables, sifting flour, stirring a soup, and combining natural ingredients can be done by anyone. "A meal is the glue that holds a family together," he says with a handsome smile. "Creating a good dinner is like writing a symphony. I translate my joy of music into the joy of creating a fine meal." Daniel has a step-by-step approach that spares you from sour notes.

Preparation, Order, Clarity, Respect, and Music

If you are cooking a family dinner, Daniel suggests:

•Shop early in a 24 hour supermarket when most people are asleep

•The head cook should have a vision of the meal and write the theme, menu, order of presentation, and appearance of dishes

•Every activity, even chopping garlic or melting butter, should be described so that everyone knows what is expected

•Each person should be assigned an area of the kitchen which should be respected by all. Borrowed implements should be returned clean

•Soothing background music eases tensions

Daniel says that cooking is democracy at work! No one is above or below you, and working together will bring an end result that is delightful, beautiful and delicious.

If you are looking for a dessert the family can

make together, select from a master chef. My choice is Michael Romano, head chef and owner of The Union Square Cafe in Manhattan, who also has a house in East Hampton. At home, Michael enjoys cooking veal saltimbocca, spaghetti carbonata, and his mother's lemon garlic chicken.

For a family cooking project, Michael recommends his Butterscotch Pudding with Brown Sugar Sauce from his new book Second Helpings from The Union Square Cafe by Michael Romano and Danny Meyer (Harper Collins.) The elegant pudding serves 8 to 10 and can be prepared in six steps. Every member of the family can do their part to put it all together.

The Pudding recipe calls for:

2.5 cups milk
1 12-ounce can evaporated milk
1 cup dark brown sugar, packed (about 7 ounces)
1/3 cup cornstarch
8 egg yolks
4 tablespoons butter
3 tablespoons Scotch whiskey

The Brown Sugar Sauce is made with:

1 cup dark brown sugar, packed
1/4 cup water
1 cup heavy cream

1.In a heavy-bottomed 3-quart saucepan, stir together 1 1/2 cups of milk, the evaporated milk, and 1/2 cup brown sugar. Set over medium-high heat and bring to a full boil, stirring occasionally. Remove the pan from the heat and reserve.

2.In a medium bowl, combine the cornstarch and remaining 1/2 cup brown sugar, stirring to break up any lumps. Stir in the egg yolks, and the remaining milk, whisking until smooth and well-blended. Pour into the pan of hot milk and whisk vigorously to blend.

3.Place the pan over medium heat, and whisking constantly, bring the mixture to a boil. As soon as a few large bubbles burst through the thick pudding, turn off the heat. Whisk in the butter then the whiskey until thoroughly incorporated.

4.Pour the pudding through a fine strainer into a heatproof glass serving dish or bowl. Press a piece of plastic wrap onto the surface to prevent a skin from forming and refrigerate the pudding for 2 to 3 hours until completely cool and set.

5.While the pudding chills, make the sauce: stir the brown sugar and water together in a heavy 2-quart pan; bring to a boil over high heat. Reduce the heat to medium and cook the syrup for 2 to 3 minutes at a vigorous boil until it has thickened slightly and starts to caramelize on the sides of the pan. Remove from the heat; whisk in the heavy cream, then return to a boil, whisking. Continue to cook for 5 minutes at a steady boil, lowering the heat slightly if the sauce bubbles too high in the pan. Remove from the heat and let cool to room temperature. Set aside.

Happy Cooking! –Letha Hadaddy

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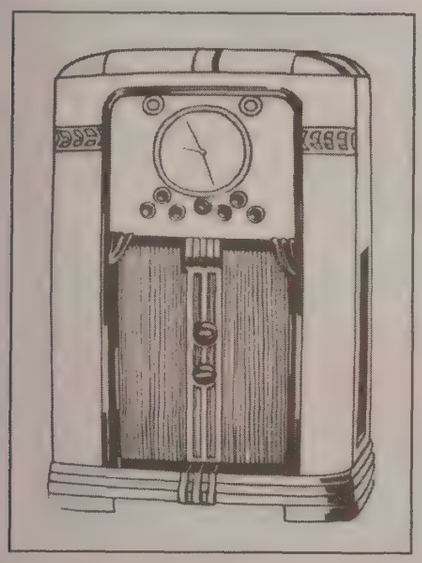
The Greatest Christmas Gift

It was Christmas a number of years ago, when Santa was still a reality. I was a young girl who loved the holiday season. Even distant relatives gave me presents, not to mention the surprises I'd get from Santa. That year, my family had decided to spend a couple days up in New Hampshire skiing to celebrate Christmas. What this meant was that a flock of people packed up all their kids, gear, household pets, food and presents to drive to snow country for a fun Christmas getaway, which it truly turned out to be.

The snow piled up everywhere – on the cars, on the surrounding mountain peaks and all over the cottage windowpanes. It billowed from the skies



in gigantic gusts, leaving behind heaps of snow perfect for igloos and snow angels, which we took full advantage of as graceful snow bunnies.

And after spending a fun-filled chilly Christmas Eve outside, it came time to open the long-awaited presents. The wrapping paper began to fly and squeals of happiness were heard all around the house. Amongst all the hats, socks, toys and books lay the greatest gift of all, and it was all mine. It was black and grey and was packed in the biggest box under the tree. All the other children were jealous, and that was even before I opened up the box to show them my new boom box. It had huge speakers and a CD player. What could be better? We listened to it and danced around like it was the first time anyone heard music. It was the best present ever and probably the greatest gift known to mankind.

Or so I remember.

About five years later, I thought back to that Christmas and remembered what fun we had with the great boom box. I couldn't help but wonder what had ever happened to it. I had no recollection what I did with it. Did I dream up my favorite Christmas gift of all time? I drove myself crazy wondering where I put it. I tore up my room and couldn't find it. I harassed my younger sister, telling her to give it back. I still had no luck, so I braved the attic, where all I found were some old toys in boxes and baby clothes.

It was time to get my mother involved. Somebody stole my boom box. It must've been a conspiracy. Or maybe we were robbed. I was sure of it. I told my mother, but to my dismay, she would not report the radio stolen. Instead she told me to look up in the back left corner of the attic. I was confused but continued my hunt. Following her directions I found myself sitting in front of a heap of dusty things, a.k.a. my father's electronic junk. Poking around, I found a radio with a tape player, but not much else. I brought it to my mother to show her the only radio that was in that corner and to tell her that it was time to call the police. My boom box was gone. She smiled, telling me that the rather sad radio with a tape player in my hand *was* the infamous boom box.

Looking back, I guess my imagination had stretched not only the dimensions of the radio, but also the fact that it had a tape player not a CD changer. (Did life even exist before CD's?) It's amazing how immensely memories can be skewed and altered by emotions of the time. But I guess that can work to your advantage. Just remember, even if you can't find that one perfect gift for your loved one, you can always make sure the ambiance or symbolism of the gift is one that will they will not forget. Or, if that doesn't work, you can always hope that they'll remember a better gift from a better year. Either way you win. And I get to keep the boom box as well as the Michael Jackson CD that I loved to play on it.

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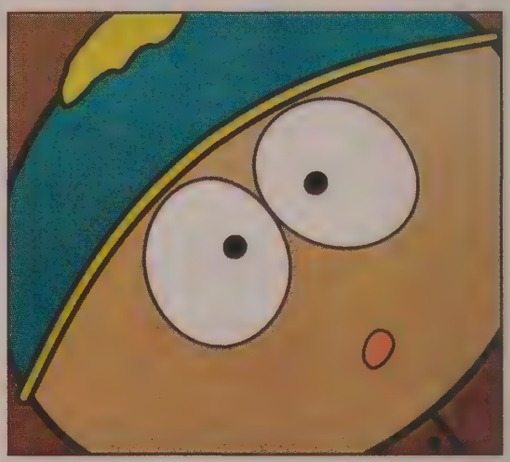
Christmas Music

Before you can sleep off Thanksgiving's turkey, the next wave of holiday madness begins. Down comes the Indian corn, and up go the lights, or, if you're so inclined, the mammoth, dancing snowman that from the road looks taller than your house. Along with these additions come the holiday tunes. They start in your car, move to every retail shop, then slowly make their joyful way into our homes. Soon, what started out as possibly annoying has brought you back into that old Christmas spirit. No, not gin or rum, but the spirit that grabs at your heart, nostalgic for family time and youthful anticipation of the big day. The music is something that transcends the purchasing and gift giving, and really captures what these holidays are all about. With that said, there are some excellent CDs to buy right now.

The Now That's What I Call Music series well known for churning out crummy discs full of music only the most remote of people haven't gotten enough of on radio, has actually released something worth picking up: what else but, Now That's What I Call Christmas! This two-disc set that hit shelves in 2001 is full of songs that will fulfill the needs of everyone in your family, except maybe your metal-head, angst-ridden child, but then again, what does satisfy him? Even he might enjoy belittling some of the songs your younger, less ironically detached, kids will love. The 36 tracks compile an eclectic mix of songs, including the classic crooners Nat King Cole, Sinatra, Dean Martin, and Bing Crosby who, along with his White Christmas, also has the weirdly memorable Bowie duet, Little Drummer Boy on the record. What makes this CD eclectic, is the inclusion of contemporary songs by singers like Britney Spears and N'SYNC, and music by artists like the great Bruce Springsteen, or the late Elvis Presley and John Lennon. This isn't exactly new for this year, but Now That's What I Call Christmas! is one of the best and biggest mixes of Christmas tunes out there. This year, the follow up CD was released, and while it doesn't carry as many of the classics like the first, it's full of new contemporary stuff.



Also available this year is American Idol: The Great Holiday Classics. Yes, the singing is actually pretty good on this CD. The sweaty Ruben Studdard does a nice job with Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas. His rival and pretend good buddy from the show, the insipid Clay Aiken barbs out a passable The First Noel, but worst, because she was the best, is Kelly Clarkson's Oh Holy Night. It's not that she sings it badly, but it's not great. In fact, Eric Cartman' s version on Mr. Hankey's Christmas Classics beats it any day of the week. This South Park Christmas album is funny. Matt Stone and Trey Parker, the creators, are smart guys. What comes in the form of tasteless humor many times has a much less base, line of commentary woven within. Watch out for explicit lyrics. Spend the money, buy the music, then forget about that part and enjoy the good times that these songs will provide the soundtrack for. Merry Christmas!

–Oliver Peterson

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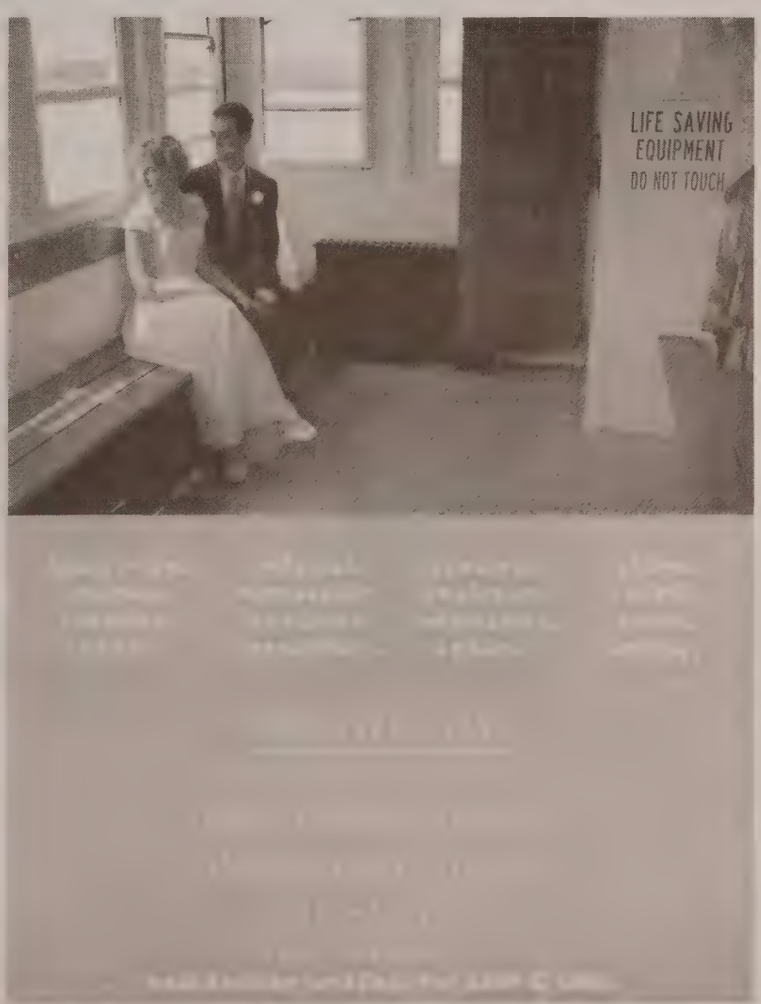
His And Hers

A Golfers Christmas

Dear Santa,
I've written this letter, it's my Christmas wish,
From a golfer in Winter, suffering nature's cruel twist.
Being stuck in the house while the snow piles up,
Alone with my memories of shots near the cup.
So I've compiled a list of the best things in life,
It's for your eyes only, and, well, maybe my wife's.
I'll tell you though Santa, if she had her way,
It would be chores round the house, and no time for play.
Golf is time spent with nature, and great exercise,
She wants me more stressed is what I surmise.
The new Nike driver would take that away,
Yes, straight down the middle, and always in play.
When I practiced my sand shots out in the yard,
She said, "If you're moving that bunker, you're not trying hard."
The new Cleveland wedge would finish that task,
And more work on the short game is all one can ask.
When I used the lawn mower to keep the yard clean,
She accused me of cutting it close like a green.
The new Taylor Made irons are just the right things,
And one of those balanced putters from Ping.
But what right do I have to ask for these gifts,
You might think that someone else here would be miffed?
You see, Santa, I didn't neglect every chore,
I worked for three weeks on the grandest garage door.
With a click it would rise and my wife would drive out,
It was built to be strong, and sturdy, and stout.
But last week in a hurry she called out to me,
She added two things to my chore list you see.
The new Footjoy golf shoes are lighter than air,
But in green, tan, and blue could I choose just one pair?
She stepped on the gas saying "remember to do…"
But the garage door was shut, yes I'd like them in blue.
So Santa, my list of the best things in life,
It's for your eyes only, and definitely my wife's.

A Golf Widow's Christmas

Dear Santa,
I've written this letter, it's my Christmas wish
To regain my husband, I talk more to my fish.
He stares out the window and curses the snow.
He studies his scorecards, but why I don't know.
So I've compiled a list of the best things I can,
It's for your eyes only, and well maybe my man's.
See I know what he needs now, and where he should be,
But he'd rather be golfing than spend it with me.
So Santa, if he thinks you'll just bring him his prize
He could spend this Winter home drying his eyes.
I'm not saying don't, hey, he might earn it yet,
I'm just saying these aren't odds that I'd bet.
See Santa I know that you're a fair bloke,
And balance is not meant for just putting strokes.
I offer this compromise to end all this strife,
So we can both get what we want out of life.
Each week we'll go dancing as we did in the past,
I really don't care if it's slow or it's fast.
A new Nike driver for him it will be,
To shoot pigeons, or eagles, or birds in the trees.
The new Taylor Made irons would do him just fine,
If he'll finish his chores first, before playing nine.
Please give him that balanced putter from Ping,
If he'd hold me that way, it would mean everything.
And as far as my driving through parts of the house,
Yes, there must be a more direct route to my spouse.
And if you think I was crazy to take it that far,
Did you notice that dear, I was driving your car!
So this letter's to Santa, from your number one fan,
It's for your eyes only , and especially my man's.

–Richard Scalera

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I'll Be Home For Christmas

This year's holiday tree stands tall in the right corner of Agawam Park in Southampton. The lights on the tree come alive as daylight fades. The last formation of geese pass overhead and their squawks echo out over the bay and fade out on the ocean beyond. The sky turns all shades of inky grays and blues. The air is frozen at 30 degrees. Shops are donned in fresh greenery, colored lights and bright silken ribbons. A few lone shoppers walk the packages back to their cars or take a final glance at a festive window display. The store windows here have become art. Town quiets, and the first snowfall has completed its postcard appeal. The ambiance of a true town center, lost to most other parts of the Island, still exists here. Here, you are transported back to an old time Christmas.

And just like a snapshot back in time you can envision carolers on the green, George Bailey turning a corner and old Model Ts sputtering down Jobs Lane. If you listen closely you can hear the choo-chooing of a locomotive through window glass as it chugs through cotton snow or imagine gaslights burning on the street.

On this night, there is no LIE, no malls or lines of impatient shoppers. In their place are narrow lanes dotted with lit trees, fireside meals and delicately hand wrapped gifts. For this moment I let myself step into Norman Rockwell. I get to thinking of why it is we are so drawn to nostalgia during the holidays and how the charm of the East End villages preserves for us a purer and more innocent time. We are able to see the season in the simplest of things.

When I look at the tree in Agawam Park covered in lights my own holiday memories begin to flood. I am reminded of a Christmas story that my father told us every year, about another Christmas tree from a Christmas past.

In 1947 a 65-foot Norway spruce was cut from our property's then 10 acres, and taken to Rockefeller Center. Each year my dad would proudly tell the story and take out the article and picture. We listened in awe as he told us of the 600 gold ornaments and thousands of lights it wore. That article had been lost for years, as was my family's land up-island, now reduced to a mere acre. It was sold to developers like many other parcels in the late 50s. My brother located the story last year and sent me a copy for Christmas.

Photo by Diane Strecker

Tree at Agawam Park

Wrapped in this sack of fond memories I retrieve yet one more. I remember how my father loved the East End; how, he loved Long Island in general. He brought us to summer in Montauk when I was very young. It was the sale of his land that afforded us that privilege. Through those many trips east, and in our time spent there, I developed a deep appreciation for its history, a love for its natural beauty and knowledge of the importance of its preservation.

I have passed through all of these towns for many years now and have watched them change. I have also watched gratefully the ways they have not.

It has been almost a week now since I stood looking at the tree in the park where I let my mind's eye travel to Christmases long ago. Still, the thought of the two trees kept coming back to me. I decided to hunt for the story on our tree. I finally found the article tucked away in a book. It was in an envelope postmarked December 12th. In reading it I noticed the tree was brought to the city on December 12th, today's date.

Who could have known all those years ago that the fate of one tree would create such warm sentiment for another? Or, that, these two trees would somehow be connected? It is in that realization I am pleasantly surprised by a sudden sense of holiday spirit. I see that old time Christmas is still alive and well on the East End of Long Island. It is why so

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This program allows professionals to provide the medical care and examinations that are needed in order to keep our "friends of the sea" happy, healthy and thriving. Caring for these amazing creatures will help prevent the possibility of their endangerment. Since its inception, the program has helped over 3,000 animals.

The Riverhead Foundation not only saves and cares for the whales, turtles, seals and dolphins, but it also educates the public. Since 1972, marine animals have been protected under the federal Marine Mammal Protection Act. The Endangered Species Act of 1973 protects sea turtles and other species. It's part of our environmental obligation to be involved when possible to support such causes.

Long Island is a haven for wildlife and the waters that surround us need extra attention. An increase in our population unfortunately translates into a rise in waste and pollution as well. Many of the injured animals have been found with plastic items or other debris that have caused severe damage by cutting into their skin or getting wrapped around their fins or heads. Through education and awareness we can help conquer this problem.

Since this time of year brings a high percentage of cold-stunned sea turtles, here are a few tips on what to do if you find a stranded sea turtle, according to the foundation: 1. Do not attempt to move the turtle back into the water 2. Don't place hands near the animal's head (sea turtles can bite) 3. It may be a good idea to move the turtle to a point above the high tide mark 4. During the winter months, do not try to warm the animal – this will cause death 5. If possible, place the turtle either in an unheated car trunk or garage. However, for the best advice and help, contact The Marine Mammal and Sea Turtle Stranding Network's hotline at 631-369-9829 (24-hours). The four most commonly found sea turtles are: the Green Sea Turtle, the Loggerhead, Kemp's Ridley and the Leatherback.

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–Kelly Marcioch

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many head east during the holiday season hoping to experience a hint what once was. We should be grateful for all of those who make that so.

This morning, I traveled both the North and South ferries that connect Greenport to Sag Harbor via Shelter Island. As I crossed the Peconic I took in all of its splendor. There is so much yet unspoiled. I thought of my father and how he loved the sea. I thought of how I do. I thought once more of the two trees and the correlation between them. I thought of the quaint towns to which I was headed. I thought that there was no place I would rather be. It was then I truly remembered why, I will always call Long Island home.

This Christmas, my gift is in simply knowing that. And, that it *is* a wonderful life. –Diane Strecker

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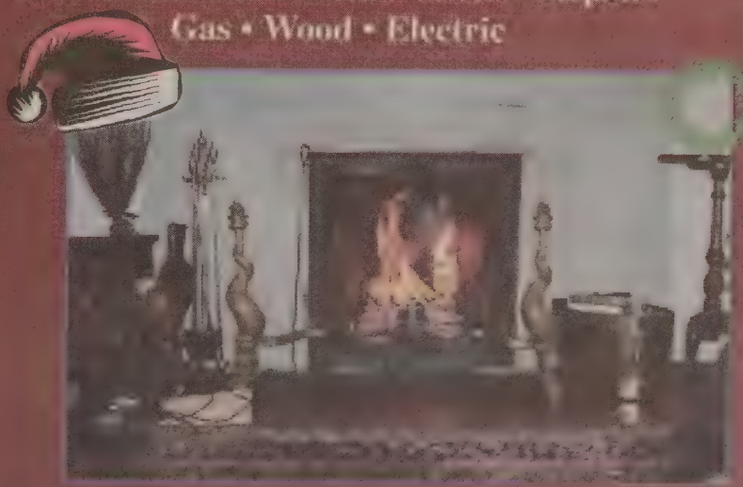

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Eye-Opening Ski Safety

While swooshing down the side of a mountain at eighty miles-an-hour the first thing on your mind may not be your eyes, but it should be. As the National Ski Safety Initiative so wryly puts it, "Skiing and snowboarding are a lot more fun when you can see." Another factor to consider is that when you can see where you're going you are less likely to be bouncing off trees like Lenny Dykstra behind the wheel on New Year's Eve.

Photo by John Capone

Some of the more obvious safety concerns relating to goggles concern the effects of snow and ice particles on your cornea. You are in a crouch skimming along at a good clip – forty-five or fifty miles an hour – you've found a pristine, unsullied run, and first tracks fill your heart with gladness. Of course, you sound like the sort of skier who knows what you're doing, you have goggles that fit snuggly over your face and the fresh powder washes over you like cleansing breathes. You've earned the right to take this slope's virginity, trudged up the snowy peak and dropped your butt into the lift as soon as the mountain opened, all in anticipation of this run. But your preparations started much earlier than six a.m. that morning. They started even before you chose the right goggles, ones that fit snuggly, won't come loose under the rigors of steep descents, or bumpy terrain. And you are equipped if, later in the day, when the mountain becomes crowded, you elect to go off-piste (kids be careful how you say that; it's "p-ee-ste.") Off-piste, or in the backcountry, your eyes are prey to even more dangers, such as twigs that might hit you in the face as you descend through the trees. Under these conditions it is even more vital that the goggles you have on are sturdy and fit properly. A well-placed whack from a twig can dislodge a shoddy lens.

There is always the more long-term damage that not wearing proper goggles can do. The combination of high altitude and the reflection of the snow causes sunrays to hit you much harder during skiing or snowboarding than during normal exposure to the sun. UV rays can damage your eyes and cause a phenomenon known as snow blindness. Studies show that repeated exposure to UV light can cause such nasty occurrences as cancer of the eyelids. More common is the development of cataracts, a clouding of the lens, which can occur over several years of repeated exposure. According to the American Academy of Ophthalmology, UV exposure also contributes to mascular degeneration. Mascular degeneration causes damage to the central part of the retina, called the mascula, and is one of the leading causes of irreversible vision loss. In layman's terms, "Eyes no work."

All this is probably enough to make you go live with mole people, but there is a better solution. Carefully choose goggles that block at least ninety-five percent of UV radiation, and you can ski all day long with nothing to fear. The other option is to practice night skiing, which is its own pleasure.

The choice of lens color can be somewhat overwhelming for the uninitiated. Different light conditions demand different lenses. Black or Polarized lenses reduce glare without distorting colors. They are probably the best all-purpose lenses, but towards the end of the day may be too dark. Green or silver lenses enhance contrast making them best for brighter conditions. Yellow, amber and gold lenses filter out blue light and bring out shadows and work especially well in the low to moderate light of cloudy days. Purple or rose lenses bring out shadows and contours and are a low-light option designed for more rigorous terrain. Clear lenses, it almost goes without saying, are appropriate for dark conditions such as very low-light or nighttime.

Fogging is a constant problem with goggles on the slopes. Three things help prevent fogging: multiple lenses, anti-fogging treated lenses, and vents. Goggles with multiple lenses do not fog as fast as goggles with single lenses, and in general it is always better to buy goggles with multiple lenses. Vents reduce fogging and provide fresh air for your eyes. The bigger the holes the better the venting, however, bigger holes are colder. You're going to have to ask yourself, "Is it better to be cold or blind?" I think you know the answer.

–John Capone

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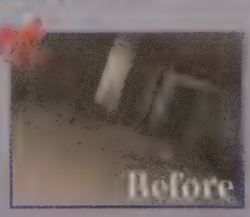

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Silvia Lehrer's Cooking Column

There is something special about entertaining over the Christmas and New Year holiday than there is all the rest of the year. If, through the year, entertaining may lean toward the casual and spur of the moment, at this time of the year we tend to think more festive and elegant. The holiday spirit is everywhere, the colorful lights of the season, the magical settings on display wherever you look inspiring you to share the joys of the season with everyone you know. Yet unless there is access to a caterer or expensive takeout, a small festive dinner for 6 or 8 is a fine way of extending holiday warmth.

Planning ahead when entertaining is always the first order of business. Devise your menu with a sense of logic and an awareness of what you can most easily handle in terms of cooking and serving. It's been eons since I've prepared a standing rib roast seasoned with a simple rub of paprika, coarse salt and garlic. Timing is manageable at about 18 minutes to the pound for a rare to medium-rare, fork tender, mouthwatering roast. And a do-ahead shallot confit with port is just right served alongside. Silky mashed potato and celery root puree, an uncommonly delicious accompaniment, can be prepared hours ahead and kept warm in a Bain- Marie (water bath) for 10 or 12 minutes just before serving. Serve a lovely salad of your choice to begin and end with a sumptuous dessert for this special occasion dinner. Present it all in grand style and don't miss out on the real enjoyment of sharing the holidays with those you most want to be with.

STANDING RIBS OF BEEF WITH SHALLOT CONFIT

A fine quality standing rib roast has a border of creamy white fat surrounding cherry red beef, unmarred by large fatty pockets. It's a once in a great while indulgence.
Serves 6-8

For the shallot confit

1/2-2/3 pound shallots, peeled and halved
1/3 cup dry red wine
3 tablespoons ruby port
1 tablespoon fresh thyme leaves
1 teaspoon sugar

For the roast

4 pound first cut standing rib roast (2-3 ribs) trimmed of excess fat
2-3 cloves garlic, finely chopped
2 tablespoons sweet paprika
1 tablespoon coarse (kosher) salt

Preheat oven to 350 degrees

1. Combine ingredients for the confit in a small shallow baking dish. Cover with foil and bake for 30 minutes. Uncover and bake for 25-30 minutes longer or until shallots are tender and liquid is almost completely evaporated. Refridgerate for several hours or overnight.

2. In a mixing bowl combine garlic, paprika and salt, stir to mix. Rub seasoning all over the top and sides of meat massaging it well. Refrigerate up to 3 to 4 hours.

Preheat oven to 400 degrees.

3. Stand roast in a sturdy roasting pan (the bones act as a natural rack), and roast for 15 minutes. Reduce heat to 350 degrees and roast 18 - 20 minutes to the pound until medium rare or 125 degrees on an instant meat thermometer when inserted into the thickest part of the meat without touching the bone. Allow meat to rest a tent of foil for 15 minutes before carving. Meanwhile reheat the shallot confit to serve with the roast.

Note: To carve the roast: With a sharp carving knife cut the eye of the roast scraping away from the bones in one piece. Stand roast, on the carving board and cut into slices, then slice through bones. Serve with shallot confit.

PUREE OF CELERY ROOT AND POTATO

Celery root, also known as celeriac, is an irregularly shaped root vegetable with brownish skin. It is grown for its large root and only the root is eaten. It is uncommonly delicious when pureed with mashed potatoes.
Serves 4-6

2 1/2 pounds all-purpose potatoes
1 large celery root about 1 1/2 pounds
2 cloves garlic, peeled
1 tablespoon unsalted butter
2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
1/3 cup skim or whole milk
Coarse (kosher) salt
Freshly ground pepper
2-3 tablespoons finely chopped flat-leaf Italian parsley for garnish

1. Fill a 4-5 quart saucepan with fresh cold water. Peel potatoes, cut into 1-inch pieces and put in the water. Drain water from pan and add cold, fresh water to cover. Peel celery root and remove any woody core. Cut into 1/2-inch pieces. Put in pot with potatoes. Place over high heat and bring to the edge of the boil. Add 1-teaspoon salt to the boiling water and adjust heat to a brisk simmer. Cook, with cover ajar, about 20-minutes or until vegetables are tender when pierced with a knife.

2. Drain potatoes and celery root and puree with a potato masher or food mill. Beat in the butter and oil. Then gradually beat in the milk. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Whip until fluffy and light. Transfer to a warm serving dish, sprinkle with parsley and serve hot.

Note: Can be prepared several hours ahead. Put saucepan with puree in a larger pan with hot water in the bottom (Bain-Marie). Then place over medium-low heat to keep warm. With a wooden spoon whip until fluffy, transfer to serving dish, garnish with parsley and serve.

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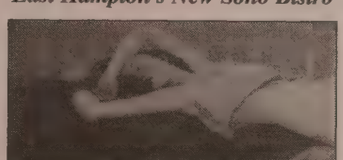
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Side Dish

By Aji Jones

In an effort to keep you well informed of the coming Holiday party scene, we have more New Year's Eve celebrations to tell you about. **Tierra Mar** (288-2700) in Westhampton will celebrate the New Year with a special New Year's Eve Gala. The evening begins at 8 p.m. with a reception, a sit-down four course dinner to follow at 9 p.m. and dancing until 2 a.m. The cost is $100 per person plus beverages, tax and gratuity.

The Plaza Café (283-9323) in Southampton will celebrate New Year's Eve with a special three-course dinner for $65. Call to ask about menu selections.

Also in Southampton, **75 Main,** along with Louis Roederer Cristal, is holding a New Year's Eve tasting event beginning at 8 p.m. Live entertainment and open bar will be available until 12:30 a.m., with dancing during and after dinner. Wine or champagne will be served with each course for $145 per person plus tax and gratuity. Call 283-7575 for details.

Red Bar, is offering an evening of food and fun on New Years Eve. The Southampton eatery will be serving up two great holiday menus, a three course $50 per person meal, and a $75 per person four course meal. For further info contact red/bar at 283-0704.

In East Hampton, **Della Femina** (329-6666) will offer a special menu for New Year's Eve. The special six course menu is $95. The a la carte menu will be offered as well. Call for reservations.

Also located in East Hampton, **Mary Jane's** will be offering three seatings on New Year's Eve. The first two meals at 5:30 and the 7:30 p.m. will each cost $50 per person. The third, taking place at 9:30 p.m. will include dinner, a champagne toast, and a DJ, for the cost of $75 per person. For details call 324-8008.

In Sag Harbor, **OASIS Waterfront Restaurant & Bar** (725-7110) will celebrate New Year's Eve with two special menus, the early seating at 5:30 p.m. features a four course dinner for $55 and the late seating at 8:30 p.m. features a 7-course dinner for $95. The late seating also features a DJ and dancing.

East Hampton's new addition to the restaurant scene, **Jean-Luc East** will be open for the Holidays, including Christmas Eve, December 26th and New Year's weekend. Their first annual Winter Wonderland New Year's Eve Celebration will feature live jazz with Stephanie Cardinali, open bar, hors d' oeuvres, buffet, and a live DJ. A portion of the proceeds will go to local area charities. Call 324-1100.

For Christmas, **Tweeds Restaurant and Buffalo Bar** (208-3151) in Riverhead will offer three kinds of Christmas dinners to go. Each creatively prepared dinner features the best of local North Fork ingredients. The dinners are available for a minimum of four people and cost $24.95 per person. Orders will be taken until December 21 and pickup is on Christmas Eve after 3 p.m.

As previously reported, the **East End Food & Wine Awards** will take place on April 18, 2004, at the Atlantica Ballroom in Westhampton Beach. The entry date for the second annual vineyard and restaurant competition will be extended to December 30. For reservations, or if you are a restaurant owner, manager or chef that would like to enter your restaurant, call 725-3899.

Finally, we have some Holiday schedule changes to report. **Almond** (537-8885) in Bridgehampton will be open offering their regular menu on Christmas Eve; they will be closed Christmas Day. Almond will be open on New Year's Eve offering their a la carte menu, but they will be closed on New Year's Day. East Hampton's **Rowdy Hall** (324-8555) will be open for lunch Christmas Eve. They will be closed Christmas Day, but will be open New Year's Eve for lunch. New Year's Day Rowdy will open for lunch and dinner. **Nick and Toni's** (324-3550), also located in East Hampton, will offer extended hours during the holiday season. They will be serving dinner nightly beginning Friday, December 26th through Sunday, January 4th. On New Year's Eve, the regular menu will be offered with some additional holiday specials.

The swanky Amagansett restaurant **Pacific East** will offer a New Year's celebration on December 31st for $85. The celebration will include a buffet dinner, traditional decorations, DJ Tony E playing 70s, 80s, and 90s music as well as disco and European club tunes, and a champagne toast. Advance reservations are required and space is limited, so call 267-7770 to save a spot.

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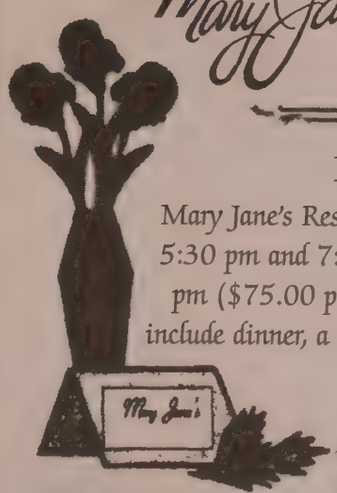
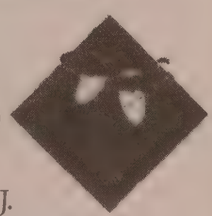
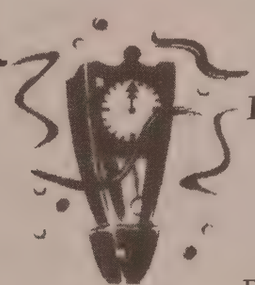


New Year's Eve

Mary Jane's Restaurant will be offering three seatings: 5:30 pm and 7:30 pm ($50.00 per person) and 9:30 pm ($75.00 per person). The 9:30 pm seating will include dinner, a champagne toast, party favors and a DJ.





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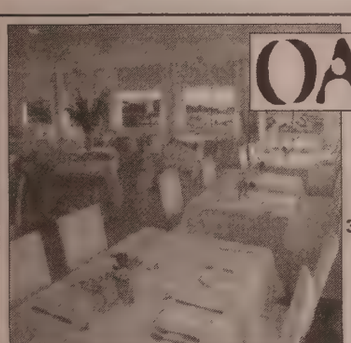
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Lucky for all us East Enders we only have to turn off Route 27 to find ourselves enveloped by the flavors, warmth and tranquility that define Costa Rica. Chef Raul Castro of Witch's Rock Restaurant has total command in his kitchen, producing exceptionally pure and clean flavors on his menu. Great food comes from the integrity of ingredients and the thoughtful layering of flavors. Too many ingredients may muddle the final product. Chef Raul shows great restraint in his use of herbs and spicing, allowing each component of the dish to sparkle. This is Costa Rican food at its best.

The Dining Room is designed to emulate the boat you would board, as you made your way to the Witch's Rock. Billowing sails sweep from the ceiling, tables are spaced comfortably apart, and the room has an artful serene feeling. Mario Salzar, the restaurant General Manger and his team, including our waiters Duina, Pam and Susanna, anticipated our needs, had full knowledge of the menu, guided us through our selections and provided gracious seamless service.

There is an International mix in the menu at Witch's Rock. The inspiration comes from the freshness of the ingredients themselves. Pristine seafood, favorite traditional inspired selections, top the menu, but there were so many interesting choices we needed some guidance.

My buddies toasted our voyage to "Witch's Rock" with a Witch's Rock Margarita, fortified with pineapple and cranberry juice. After a sip, I wished I had ordered one. We all nibbled on Crisp Calamari with honey laced "Salsa Lizano" which has a smoky tomato base, delicious! Not a trace of grease on the bottom of the plate or on our fingers has we nibbled away.

Witch's Rock Ceviche was truly a stellar moment in the meal. The dish had everything. In Costa Rican tradition, the dish is served with crackers, mayonnaise and ketchup. You create your own Russian Dressing by mixing the ketchup and mayo on a cracker and top with the Ceviche. Clean bright flavors of perfectly marinated shrimp, octopus and squid with lime, hints of cilantro and red pepper matched beautifully with the richness of the Costa Rican version of Aioli. We all wanted more. Duina, our waiter, brought out spoons so we could sop up the sea- infused marinade. Lobster Bisque was soothing, hot and more of a seafood veloute with nuggets of sweet lobster meat. Even the most timid octopus eater could not resist the flavors of "Pulpo Seductor," redolent with garlic minced in small morals, the velvety texture and taste of the dish converted the nonbelievers.

Photo by Adam Freed

Although I am not big on sharing, it was hard not to do the fork thing once the entrees arrived. Each dish was distinctly different. No single spice overwhelmed the food. Every dish had its own unique flavor. "Costa Rican Typical Dish" took me back to the beach cafes of Costa Rica. Fragrant rice with black beans, sirloin beef lightly seasoned, sweet plantains, and red pepper relish was comfort food on a cold winter evening. A straightforward, nicely seared grilled tuna arrived at our table, prepared as ordered. Mariscada, this Costa Rican version, was a lusty and intense stew of Fish, Shrimp, Calamari and Scallops. The right balance of sweet seafood, rich tomato reduction and piquant spicing makes this Mariscada a very exciting and unique dish. By far "The Camarones al Ajillo" jumbo shrimp cooked simply with butter and garlic, served with sublime mashed sweet potatoes hushed conversation at the table.

Of course, like any great meal, dessert is the finale, and it better be good. We were not disappointed by our two selections. Coconut Flan, beautifully caramelized, rich and strong with flecks of coconut was soothing. "Tres Leches" a combination of a Biscuit Style cake layered with a mousse of evaporated, condensed and fresh milk spiked with rum was worth a trip to Witch's Rock alone. I want some more…now.

While training at The Culinary Institute of America years ago I learning some very basic principles which always alert you if you are in good hands in a restaurant. My chef said, "Make sure the 'hot food' is hot, the cold food is cold, serve warm crusty bread, serve warm milk for coffee and cook and serve with the heart and the customers will come." Franklin Cubero, the restaurant proprietor, has his act together. He has brought a chef who cooks with his soul to Southampton. This is "cooking with the heart" at its best.

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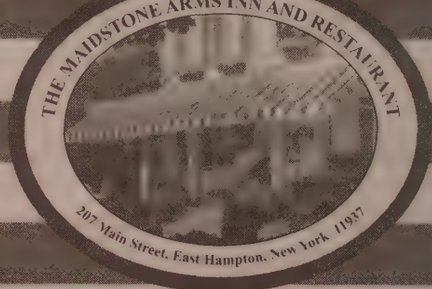

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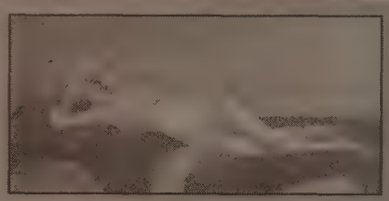

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Crispy Brie Salad - baby arugula, sliced bermuda onion, dried cranberries and sliced apples with raspberry vinaigrette 12
Seafood Martini - shrimp, lobster, calamari and scallops marinated in a fresh cilantro and Kettle One Citron vodka 12
Spinach and Gorgonzola Salad - grape tomatoes, roasted peppers, toasted pignoli nuts and warm bacon vinaigrette 10

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Mandarin Vegetable Spring Rolls - Sweet chili dipping sauce, wasabi aioli 10
Duck, Wild Mushroom and Montrachet Strudel - apple fig compote, cabernet reduction 12
Pancetta Wrapped Scampied Shrimp - over grilled Tusan toast with crispy leeks 12
Caramalized Sea Scallops - asparagus, roasted beets, mache, charred tomato vinaigrette 12
Creole Baked Oysters - tasso, smoked poblano and red chili hollandaise 14
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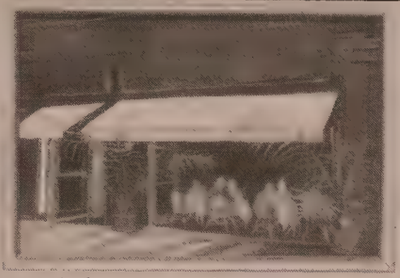

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Roasted Butternut Squash Soup with Pumpkin Seed Pesto Ravioli
Duck Consommé with Scallion and Foie Gras Dumpling

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Endive & Watercress Salad with Fig, Pecans and Corsica Cheese Crouton, Apple Cider Vinaigrette
Chopped Romaine & Radicchio Salad, Crisp Pancetta and Fresh Mozzarella, Roasted Tomato Caesar Dressing
Totsoi & Frisee Salad with Crispy Shrimp and Crab Spring Roll, Orange/Ginger Vinaigrette

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Champagne Sorbet

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Pan Seared Duck Breast over Red Grape, Toasted Walnut and Foie Gras Risotto, Thyme Reduction
Baked Red Snapper Stuffed with Crabmeat, Chive Whipped Potatoes, Grilled Asparagus and Pinot Noir Beurre Rouge
Grilled Filet Mignon, Roast Fingerling Potato and Gruyere Napoleon, Truffled Creamed Spinach, Cabernet Reduction

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Or maybe they're telling you to simply get some help. Manly Maids is a full service agency with catchy name. It is a company that, according to owner Lance Simon, sends a very real and worthy message. Lance, a recent Stony Brook University graduate, is excited about his cleaning service that features all male maids. Sounds intriguing. While this concept has raised some eyebrows, the company has been overwhelmingly successful in the few months they have been servicing eastern Long Island.

Lance's idea of men doing "women's work" revolves around the notion of how gender roles are perceived and perpetuated in society. Lance, a single father of three, wants his daughters to know that they can be anything that they choose to be. Their gender does not have to dictate what profession or lifestyle they choose. Cleaning is not just a task for women anymore. Lance is excited by the response he has been getting from his customers and acquaintances about his concept, but he really desires to impart a deeper message to society, one which bolsters the fabric of being an American: individuality. Furthermore, Lance tells us that it is important that the reality of the working mom be recognized. He continues by saying that a second shift should not be the sole responsibility of either the man or the woman.

Lance also stressed that there is a flip side to his belief. He truly hopes that men can pursue their

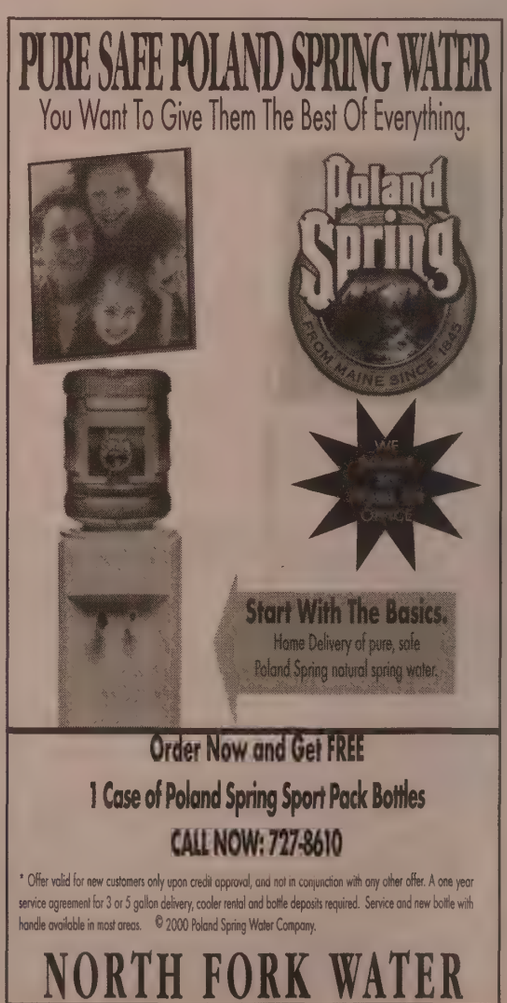
aspirations without pressure to conform to rigid roles delegated by society. What makes him content is when his customers' children see him and his "manly" crew at work. These children are processing and comprehending a gender role evolution. He hopes to inspire these children and create limitless opportunities by showing them that "yes, muscle bound men can clean toilets, just as women can become doctors and lawyers."

You may be asking yourself, why go to all this trouble? The answer is easy; to prevent the spread of germs. Well, that and I'm sure the guys would look cute in those little French maid outfits etc...

No, seriously, it's important to know that germs can pose risks to your family. Here are a few germ-spreading precautions from a recent article that appeared in the *Daily News*. According to Dr. Phillip Tierno: 1. Run For Cover – close the toilet seat lid before flushing – the liquid can shoot up to 20 feet 2. Brush Up – don't store toothbrushes on the bathroom countertops. Instead, keep them in a closed medicine cabinet, suspended vertically to dry 3. Bag It – every time you turn on your vacuum cleaner, debris spews from the exhaust. Empty the bag at least once per month or buy a sucker with a HEPA filter. 4. Spray The Can – When you replace a plastic liner bag, spray the pail with a disinfectant. If liquid from trash has pooled at the bottom, soak with bleach and water and rinse. 5. Stinky Sink – "A carrot stick dropped in the toilet is cleaner to eat than one dropped in your sink." Think about that the next time you eat vegetables from your sink. Scrub the basin with disinfectant. Toss your sponge or dishrag frequently (within one week) or disinfect it after each use with bleach or anti-bacterial soap. Store it in a holder that allows it to drip dry completely after each use. Follow these tips and give Manly Maids a call (631-821-TIDY) next time you need to get the job done right.

Happy holidays, and a happy, healthy and very "clean" New Year!

–Kelly Marcioch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The Garden At Rock Cottage

by Lance Brilliantine

MORE THAN A KISS

It's the time of year when the white-berried, leafy green plants hang above doorways and rouse lovers and serendipitous strangers to share a Holiday kiss. At Rock Cottage, Christmas always finds a few sprigs of mistletoe over the doorway to spark laughter and fun with guests.

While only two of the more than 1,300 species of mistletoe are used as the festive lure, mistletoe packs more punch than most people suspect.

Origins of the world's attraction to mistletoe seem rooted with the Norsemen whose goddess of love, Frigga, sought to keep her son from harm. She spoke to the elements of air, wind, fire, water, and earth, and to every animal and plant to protect her son, but overlooked mistletoe – which ultimately killed the boy. It is said Frigga's subsequent tears became the milky-white mistletoe berries that revived her son. In her joy over his rebirth, Frigga kissed everyone who passed. The legend ends with a decree that whoever stands under the mistletoe will receive no harm – only a kiss and a token of love.

Later, the Celts identified mistletoe as having healing powers, some of which have proved true. The word "mistletoe" actually comes from Celtic and means "all heal." Eighteenth-century English also credited the plant with magical properties. Based on the English tradition, at Christmas time a young lady standing under a ball of mistletoe could not refuse to be kissed. Such a kiss indicated romance or friendship. Parts of this tradition continue today.

The Christmas mistletoe, a broadleaf variety of the plant *(Phoradendron macrophyllum),* is an evergreen, parasitic plant that grows on landscape trees in California, northern Europe, Asia, and in New Zealand and Australia. Mistletoe is fond of trees such as birch, locust, silver maple, and walnut. Varieties of broadleaf mistletoe also infest oak trees while others attack apple, maple, and alder trees. Conifers are less often attacked by broadleaf mistletoes, but white fir is significantly infested in some western states. On the East Coast, the dwarf mistletoe *(Arceuthobium* spp.) infests pines, firs, and other conifers. It is a rapacious pest!

The broadleaf mistletoe has green stems with thick, oval leaves. Plants develop into round-like shapes up to two feet in diameter. The small, sticky, whitish berries are produced from October to December. Birds find the berries attractive, feed on them, digest the berry pulp, and excrete living seeds that stick tightly to branches on which they fall, where they begin to grow and live off the host tree.

In the Northeast, dwarf mistletoe is much smaller, with stems about six inches long. These varieties are non-woody and have small, scale-like leaves. Dwarf mistletoe seeds are spread mostly by the discharge of seeds that catapult the seeds horizontally, as far as 50 feet. In the Northeast, dwarf mistletoe affects trees in Pennsylvania, Northwestern New Jersey, New York, and the New England States. It is found mostly on black and white spruce, though some varieties of oak may also be infested.

All types of mistletoe are avaricious parasites that can reduce commercial timber yields by as much as 50%. Trees heavily infested become stunted and sometimes die, especially if stressed by other problems such as drought or disease. While some types of spraying help, the only effective way to control the parasite is to completely prune away infected branches. Simply cutting the mistletoe away has little or no effect because the embedded roots regenerate the plant.

Mistletoe berries are potentially toxic so they should not be eaten. Children and pets need to be protected against them. Despite their toxicity, mistletoe has been used as an herbal tonic in China for generations. Recent medical research verifies some mistletoe extracts can be used for health concerns such as breast cancer and HIV. Apparently, several of the plant's alkaloids stimulate immune system function. It has also been tested and found to reduce high blood pressure and its associated headaches and dizziness. One extract is known to stimulate insulin secretion in pancreatic cells and can improve the blood sugar levels in people with diabetes.

While we are wary of its potential punch, few plants provide such subtle appeal or fun at the Holidays. We are glad its medicinal values curb its damaging ways!

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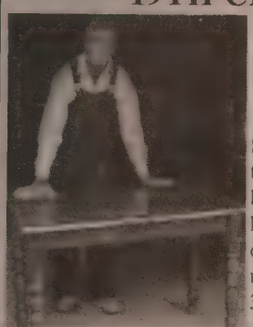

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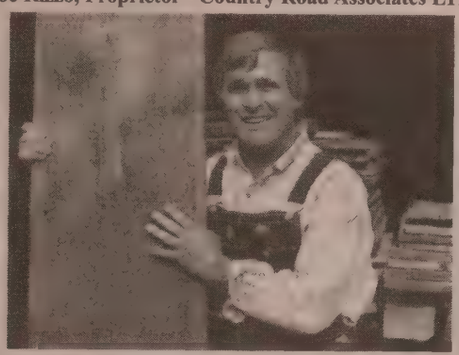

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Down With Decking The Halls

If there is anything "bah humbug" about the holidays, it is putting up the decorations. I do not enjoy crawling and climbing about the storage closet in search of boxes filled with tarnished tinsel and chipped ornaments that I put away a year ago. I do not like risking neck and limb scrambling over the boogie boards, beach chairs and umbrellas of summer gone past, too fast, to reach for the boughs of the Christmas tree.

I am not sure when I turned from a Rudolph advocate to Scrooge follower. One day, it just seemed like folly to deck the halls with boughs of holly and hang stockings with care, when in a couple of weeks I would have to pull it down and crate it all up again.

So, I decided to search for a simpler, subtler more sophisticated way to express the season without too much fuss. I went to Treasure Island in the Wainscott Shopping Center. Surely amidst the explosion of ornaments, I would find a small symbol capable of communicating the essence of Yuletide greetings in a tasteful tribute that would require no effort.

As carols piped through the store, I peered between the inflatable 9' Santa and the Snowman, too. I looked at a 9' indoor Hartford Blue Spruce adorned with pink roses, sugared plums and flocked cherries. I glanced at the tree hung with the Sesame Street Gang, Sponge Bob and elves, and found another tree literally raining cats and dogs. Life-size nutcrackers stood guard over a tabletop platoon. A toy train joyfully chased itself around its tracks, and I admired the collection of 12" porcelain village houses of an era long past, with their small windows blazing brightly.

There was a wreath so big I could jump through it and a forest of mesmerizing 40" fiber optic trees that morphed from white to blue to green then red to purple. A 7'5" Lake Heron Pine evoked a chuckle as it stood brimming with smiling pigs and happy farm animals, while a Nova Scotia's limbs were heavy with a patriotic theme of red, white and blue toy soldiers. I saw an electric menorah and blue and gold Chanukah plates, and briefly considered converting, before being swallowed up by the garlands of roses, reindeer welcome mats and colorful tins for cookies.

I checked out the stockings and music boxes and shrink-wrapped mangers with real straw. Candles and faux fur tree skirts and candy canes. The 66" collapsible Santa looked appropriately kind and jolly and, despite myself I began to hum "Frosty the Snowman." I shook each water globe and watched them snow. Then wandered among more trees, one dressed with dolls and another covered with white doves whose spun wings rested still and silent in the branches. Red-blossomed poinsettias were scattered about. There were reverent Michelangelo cherubs and tapestry bulbs as well as "I Love Lucy" ornaments and Elvis "The King," too.

I looked high and low and then, unable to resist, I plunged in and scooped up an array of retro toy decorations, a crystal angel strung with red ribbon, cinnamon candles and shimmering lights. For suddenly it had come to me. Yes, it became very clear: Leave the darn tree up and celebrate throughout the year!

–Barbara Jo Howard

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HEALTH & BEAUTY

Skin deep with Samantha Altea

RAZZLE, DAZZLE 'EM

Going to any parties or functions this holiday season? Want to razzle dazzle 'em, but not quite sure how? Well, before you hang up your high heels in despair, I've got the party low down – head to toe tips for how to sparkle the night away at any shindig.

I began in Bloomingdale's and discovered that this holiday season calls for plenty of glitz, glam and shimmer and that starts with make-up. This year's hot holiday color pallet is bronze and gold, with accents of frosted pink and hot pink, going all the way to racy red. The look du jour is shimmery metallic accents. This can be seen on eyes, lips and cheeks. Plus, don't forget to add plenty of glitter (read more shimmer) on highlights of the face and even body.

To get the metallic eye look, try Clinique Touch Tint for eyes, $13.50, or Prescriptives bronze eye shadows $13. For lips, check out one of Trish McEvoy's lip pallets in her treasures collection. You can get an array of bronze toned lip tints, $38 as well as a Pink infused collection $48. Or go for Bobbi Brown's bronze Lip Color in Cocoa $19.

Glamming up the whole make-up marketplace are glitter, glimmer, and shimmer products for the face and body, and so this is the year to sparkle. Try shimmer swept across the collar bone and shoulders for a little party pizzazz, or accents on the cheeks, forehead, jawline…cleavage or even legs. I called the office of regular Hamptonite and celebrity make-up guru, Bobbi Brown, for some holiday hints. Bobbi says that, Shimmer's always in style for the holidays. To make the look fresh this year, use a shimmery face powder with pink tones to it – it'll give you a soft, flattering glow and is more modern than obvious sparkles. So try Bobbi Brown's Pink Shimmer Brick, $35. Or go the more metallic route with Estee Lauder's Star bright Crème patina, $25. A creamy gold star nestles inside frosted silver cream to give you the option of silver and gold.

And speaking of gold, all that glitters this season really is gold, so pull out all your bold gold jewelry, and take a gold leaf out of J-Lo's book – add some bling, bling for that party swing. These days, women aren't waiting for men to buy them diamonds and pearls…sisters are doing it for themselves. Get yourself a right - hand diamond ring. It's the latest craze. But if diamonds aren't in your budget, there's plenty of novelty jewelry out there that works just as well to add a glamorous accent to an outfit. I spoke to personal style consultant Pamela Bouchard, who styles clients in NYC, Westchester and the Hamptons, to see what to wear to parties this year. Fashion is mirroring the make-up trend, according to Pamela. So holiday fashion takes on the gilded age of gold and bronze metallic.

"It's all about elegant timeless glamour," she says and suggests "classic retro inspired accessories to give a punch to simple holiday looks." Pamela says that sequins and satins are very hot for the holidays as well as lurex-infused knits and wovens. But her main tip is to accessorize, accessorize, accessorize. Go for bronzed metallic finished bags, strappy gold Manolos, or Jimmy Choo sandals (3 inch heels are a must), lush fur wraps (fur is back with a vengeance) and chunky statement jewelry. If you want an accent color, try fuchsia sorbet to crimson reds.

Now what about your hair? Up dos are the rage this year, so try a chignon for sleek retro glamour. You can buy a hair cushion to help achieve the look from most drug stores. Put hair in a low ponytail and then wind it around the cushion and secure.

Don't forget hand and toenails done in pinks, reds or shimmering metallic tones before you finish your holiday look with one last sweet smelling flourish. Try Happy perfume, by Clinique, in a special holiday edition…it comes with real sparkles added!

Now you've surely added sparkle to your holiday season, I hope you'll have a glittering New Year.

Happy Holidays!

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Police Blotter

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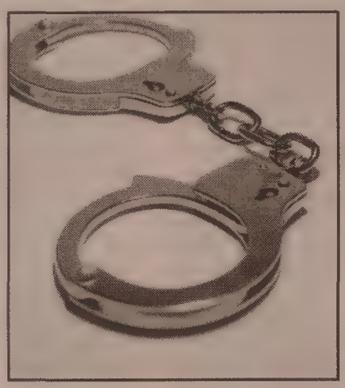

A Washington Avenue man called police on Saturday after waking up to find his 1992 Ford Explorer missing. He told police that he had parked it in his driveway at about 1 a.m. but when he woke eight hours later it was missing. The commitment of this crime cost this East Hampton man $2,000.

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Another man, this time from Montauk, bought a very similar crime, a bargain burglary if you will, for about $425. According to police, the man left his truck at Montauk Train Station last Thursday and went to the city. When he returned the next day, the truck was gone. An officer on patrol nearby found the 1985 Ford Pickup parked on Old West Lake Drive, partially blocking traffic. After it was towed, mechanics estimated about $250 in damage that was inflicted to the steering column. Police are still investigating.

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Boy, the holidays sure are expensive. A Greenwich Street man bought his holiday horror for a cool $2,000. The man's sister called police on Wednesday when she stopped by her mother's house and discovered her brother's Seadoo jet ski missing from it's trailer. Confusing, isn't it? The Montauk man couldn't remember the model or registration number, so police may have a hard time tracking the ski down.

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A 20-year-old East Hampton man will be trying to buy some time with court appearances after he bought into a crime involving marijuana. Police received a call from someone at the school who saw the man flash his car's lights as a student walked towards the vehicle. Witnesses say the student got in the car and then jumped out. With a description of the vehicle, responding officers were able to track down and apprehend the man. The man gave the O.K. to search his sleigh, at which point police uncovered a pill bottle and a small bag, both containing marijuana. The man was arrested, processed at headquarters and released on an appearance ticket to face charges of unlawful possession of marijuana.

–Written and compiled by Tom Haskell

Letters

No Ordinary Dog

Dear Dan,

My dog is no ordinary dog.

He is full of wander and full of lust.

He is an adventurous dog and does a walkabout everyday.

He's big blond and curly, and usually wet. His spa is an overturned lobster bait pail

Sometimes my neighbors tell me how they just saw him down by the breakwater. You'd think they spotted Billy Joel.

He has a lot of friends. Mulligan, Jake, Murphy, Monte, Oreo, Spirit, to name a few.

If he's gone too long, I get in the car and do the "friends" circuit.

When I find him – he stops playing – says "Gotta Go" – car's here" (I speak dog) and catapults into the car.

On the way home – he hangs out the window. Big yellow ears blowback in the wind – black wide nostrils taking in every scent along the way – chest out – the canine God of the road.

This dog is no ordinary dog.

And he doesn't like mozzarella.

By Nancy Deegan

ECHOES OF WAR

Dear Dan,

I have enclosed my poem "Heliocopter" as I mentioned to you the other night. This poem came to me early one Saturday morning while my two young elementary school children and I were waking for the day. During our playtime, I stopped suddenly and asked if they heard the "sounds approaching." They said no, they did not. I told them to listen carefully. "Are you sure you don't hear that?" Again they responded with a resounding, "No Dad we don't." It took approximately thirty seconds before they heard the rhythm of the heliocopters blades. I then realized that this "ominous" sound was deeply embedded in my inner being, born out of that devastating and tragic year in Vietnam and that I did not need my ears to hear what brought so much fear to us young soldiers during that time. So...here it is. (I would also like to add that I believe the current situation in Iraq has similarities to the Vietnam debacle and pray that these young soldiers will be spared this residual "physiological detritus" when they return home. They truly need all the support from home we can give.)

All my best,
Jim Jondreau
Water Mill

May God bless and protect our troops abroad.
–D.R.

HELIOCOPTER

Tremor in the subtle air felt in my psyche,
Familiar whirling thwup, thwup, thwup,
Ominous sounds from afar approaching
Bringing fear and death with the cutting of the wind.
Ch-ch-ch-ch-ch-ch-ch-ch-ch
Changing hearts, minds and souls forever
I listen with every cell of my body, whether I want to or not.
This demon gives me no choice, no simple way out, no running away.
This hidden monster I carry was born of monsoon madness and machinations of military night;
Bloody and brutal forces out of control.
I will never again know true deep sleep until I die.

FOND MEMORIES

Dear Dan,

I read your article on *The Bank Of Starbucks.* For those of us who grew up in this town, Martin Tyndall was a fixture. I can remember him as a kid all hunched over walking into the bank with his cane. Each year his hunching progressed a little more but he never gave up going to work.

I also sit in the bank building now called Prudential Douglas Elliman and I'm amazed sometimes how much I can spend for a cup of coffee, latte or cappuccino. If old Mart was still around, I might have to ask him for a loan just to pay the coffee bill.

Times change Dan and I love how you capture both moments in time, past and present. Perhaps it might be an idea to sit with others who could convey similar experiences. Mullen's Market, DePetris Market, Old Post Office, Old Bobby Van's, Sanfords Hardware, Ya Ya's, Judrich's, Danny's, Moosies Garage, Hallock's Press, Squeaks Hair Salon, Rana's ....Thanks.

Paul C. Brennan
Sagaponack

Let's raise a cup of Iced Caramel Mochacino to the days of yore. *–D.R.*

SEND YOUR LOVE

Dear Dan,

I would like to wish all your readers a Happy Holiday Season and ask that you all take a few minutes in between your holiday parties and shopping to say a prayer for our men and women in the armed forces who are not going to be able to share this Christmas with their families. Keep them in your thoughts and prayers for a safe homecoming.

We all have been blessed to have our loved ones with us. Hold them close. Everyday we have then is a precious one.

Thanks.

Patty Bennett
Sargent of Arm's
American Legion Post 419

What a beautiful thought. *–D.R.*

ALL AMERICAN

Dear Dan,

I understand former Yankee Andy Petite is now in Houston.

Hooray for Andy a man who has his priorities straight! To be closer to his family and I bet in a few years Andy will retire. He knows and trusts God and is a smart man! Peace

Paula Timpson
Via e-mail

Closer to his family, further from Steinbrenner, I guess. *–D.R.*

SAND SIGHTINGS

Dear Dan,

I reside in Colorado, but my heart remains on Long Island - so I tune in daily and gaze at the webcam of the beach. THANKS for it. What's going on today (12/10/03)? All those cars or something out there? Or are they cartons of something? Hard to get perspecti ve. Am I gazing at the restroom building or what? I don't care - I get a peek of the beach!

Thank you again for the beautiful view...

Katie Kingston
Via e-mail from Colorado

Our webcam points at a restroom? *–D.R.*

HEALTH & BEAUTY

Gurney's Pumps Up Fitness Program For 2004

I am sitting across the table from Candice Giordano-Monte, new fitness director at Gurney's Inn Resort & Spa in Montauk, who is enthusiastically describing her philosophy about the program she is launching here in January. Designed to increase membership, the new schedule boasts longer hours and more aerobics classes, including Boot Camp, On the Ball (stability ball exercises); Cardio Blast, Step and Sculpt, all created to augment the signature classes, such as Ashtenga, Power Yoga, Hatha Yoga, Yoqua (salt water yoga), Pilates, Aquatics, Total Tone, etc. In addition, members and guests can opt for a personalized comprehensive fitness profile (a total analysis that allows for setting real and attainable goals) and one-on-one personal training.

"I want people to come and take classes here and stay in Montauk. I want the best schedule we can possibly have and still accommodate everybody's needs," she says.

As Candice explains that she practices "functional training" (a total body workout), I am coveting her toned Madonna-like arms. Feeling a tad bit flabby, I suck in my belly and sink further into my oversized sweatshirt, hoping not to reveal my Jell-O shape, when she offers the unthinkable: "I will guarantee anyone results who does a fitness profile with me. If they do what I tell them to do, within six weeks they will see a change in their body fat while losing inches and weight. But they have to follow the program I give them."

"Anyone?" I ask sheepishly.

"Yes," she replies with a confident toss of her blonde locks, and I blurt out, "You're on."

Candice is gung-ho about the challenge and we make an appointment for the very next morning. So I go home and psyche myself up by munching a bag of popcorn and washing it down with a couple of glasses of wine for dinner. Waking up hungry, I am convinced that I have lost at least ten pounds and, feeling thin, arrive to encounter the team.

Photo by Tom W. Ratcliffe III

Candice Giordano Monte

Candice, very perky for 9 a.m. on a Saturday, is rarin' to go. Her tiny waist and flat abs (to-die-for) belie the fact that she has a 23-year-old daughter. She also has accomplices: Terry, a personal trainer right out of central casting, and Neshya who, at 70, has the body of a woman forty years her junior, proving that exercise and nutrition are indeed the secrets to the fountain of youth.

The pros at Gurney's are top notch, and Candice brings a new perspective from experience gained at "Hardbodies Fitness Consultants," the one-on-one training facility she has owned and operated for sixteen years. There, she capitalized on her Masters degree in therapeutic recreation and a degree in physical education, by developing individual fitness plans for people of all ages, body types and health conditions. Her goal is to integrate that capability into Gurney's.

Candice had me fill out my personal medical history before doing some strength and endurance tests recommended by the American College of Sports Medicine. Talk about a reality check. I was shocked to learn I could barely complete the step test, and couldn't even squeeze out one push-up. Though I took pride in doing an excellent job on the sit-ups, Candice gently pointed out that lifting my head up and down didn't constitute a real "crunch" and promised to work on technique.

Then she punched in the information and the computer spit out an impressive series of color charts and graphs that revealed my body fat, at 26.4%, was marginally over the 18-26% optimum for my age, and my weight at (gulp) 134 pounds for a 5"4" female was not too bad. We agreed the six-week goal would be to reduce my body fat by 1% to 25.4%, and lose 5 pounds through exercise and nutrition. Long term, she wanted me to get the body fat down to 22% and everything else would "firm" into place.

So I am taking the Gurney's New Year's Fitness and Nutrition Challenge. Well, Candice doesn't call it that, but here's the way I see it: Candice and her crew of fitness pros pitted against me, Jo Schmo, the woman of that certain age who takes more solace in a pint of Ben & Jerry's than a visit to the gym. Does Candice have any idea what she has undertaken? Do I? Stay tuned, dear reader, as I "tell all" by including updates as part of my bi-weekly health and beauty column, when *Dan's Papers* resumes in January. Till then, Happy Holidays!

– Barbara Jo Howard

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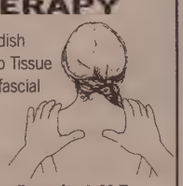

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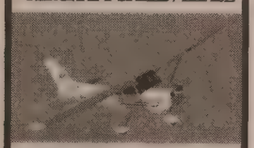
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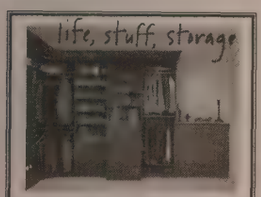

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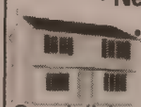

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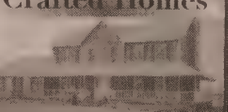

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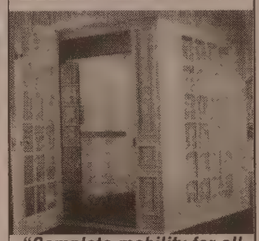

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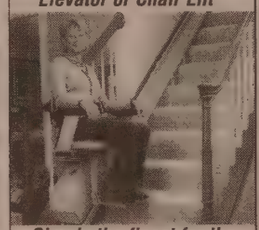

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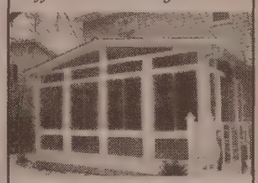

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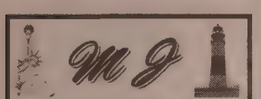

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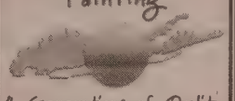

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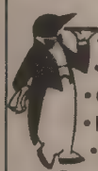
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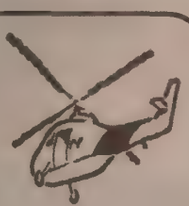
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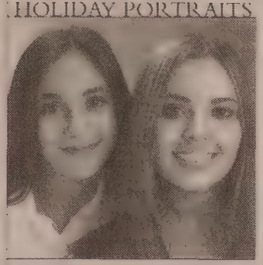
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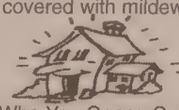
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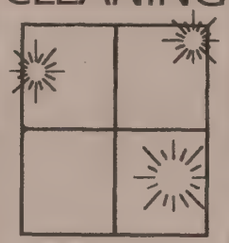

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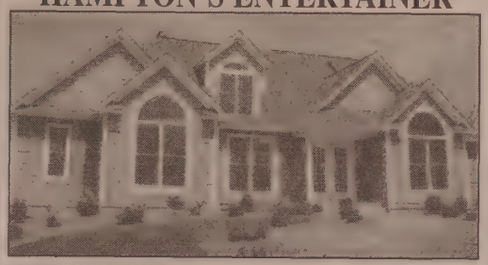

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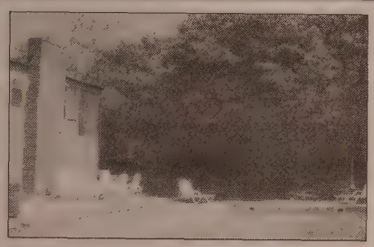

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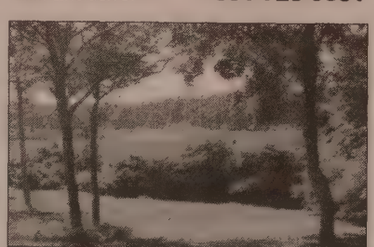

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Montauk:. Culloden Shores The Classic Liesurama! Enjoying much publicity of late, this style beach house was built in 60s and sold in Macy*s in NYC. Noted for their timelessness, we are happy to list this 2+ BR, 1.5 bath which comes with a brick walled fireplace, upgraded windows, gas heat, cedar shake siding, and 3 private decks. There's a private yard with established trees and plantings for sun bathing and outdoor dining. $529,000.00. EXCLUSIVE!

MONTAUK: Hither Woods. This very special listing is currently under construction by a local contractor. Cul-de-sac street, 5 bdrms, 4.5 baths, state of the art detailing, pool, garage,, almost acre, ocean views. Come and meet the builder and inspect his craftsmanship. $2,100,000.

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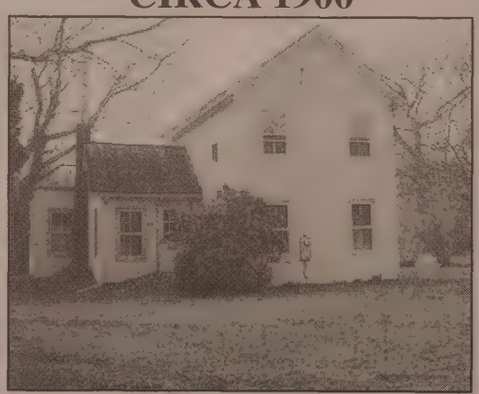

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MONTAUK: Walk To Town. This 4 bdrm, cedar sided home comes with a granite & cherry kitchen, greenhouse, pool detached work shop, detached garage, large den with bar and a water view! Approx. 2,200 sf, built in 1992 with additions thereafter. $695,000.

MONTAUK: Culloden Shores. Brand new 4 bdrm, 3 bath two story home built in conformance with the new building codes for hurricane safety, fireplace, public water, basement & maintenance-free vinyl siding. Private community with beach access onto LI Sound. $550,000.

MONTAUK: One-Third of an Acre of Heaven. Hilltop, privacy, lake views. $450,000.

MONTAUK: East End Estates. Highlighted by an indoor pool and hot tub, this 3 bdrm, 2 bath contemp. provides all yr. enjoyment. Upscale kitchen, CAC, garage, office...& owner financing. $1,200,000.

MONTAUK: .The American Dream. Nestled at the end of a rustic road, this 5 bedroom traditional home is outfitted with 2 full and 2 half baths. Designed by Thomas Issing and built in 1995, it measures approximately 2,800 sf. Country kitchen, fireplace, wood floors, full basement, garage, oil heat, hot tub, and a brand new pool complete the offering. Approximate half acre. EXCLUSIVE $789,000.00

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Montauk Just Listed: Exclusive! Secluded country road located 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath three year old homeis ready to move into. The home offers granite kitchen, slate/wood floors, front and rear porches, 2 car heated garage, OS, CAC, oil heat and full basement. Fully furnished and very private. Offered @ $849,000.00

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Montauk: Contemporary View!! This architect's own home is designed with every detail in mind. The home offers 4 bedrooms, 6 baths, two story glass lined cathedral living area, formal dinning room, elevated den/sitting room, cac, two story stone fp, hardwood floors, sauna, car garage, extensive decking, and 2 car garage. All situated on landscaped ocean viewing parcel within walking distance to ocean beaches and town. Offered @$1,650,000.00

Montauk: New Construction Reduced!! This brand new shingle styled home offers 3 bedroom 3.5 baths, granite kitchen, pine floors, 2 fireplaces, den, sun drenched deck, high end appliances, CAC, gas heat and finished lower media/game room. All this on cul-de-sac location and ready for immediate occupancy. Offered @ 755,000.00.

Montauk: East End Estates Enjoy warm summer days from this 3 bedroom, 2 bath saltbox with a ribbon view of Fort Pond Bay. The home offers, private half acre setting, spacious second story deck, partially finished full basement, brick fireplace oil heat, all with a stroll to secluded tidal beach. Offered at $695,000.00

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Montauk Hither Hills Opportunity! This quaint shingled cottage offers 3 bedrooms with 1.5 baths, gas heat, full basement, cedar deck, recent kitchen, easy maintenance, deeded private ocean beach rights, and great rental history. Offered @ 599,000.00

Montauk New to Market! Just listed is this meticulously maintained 1700 sq.ft. high ranch snuggled on very private shy acre parcel.The home offers 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, hardwood floors, brick fireplace, outdoor shower, full basement, one car garage, oil heat, private rear deck, and low maintenance landscape. Offered Exclusively @ $629,000.00

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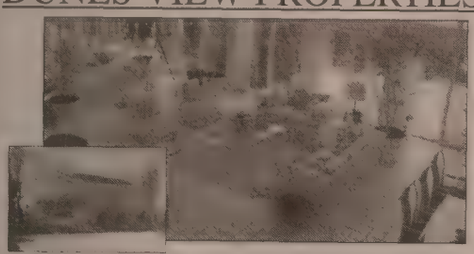

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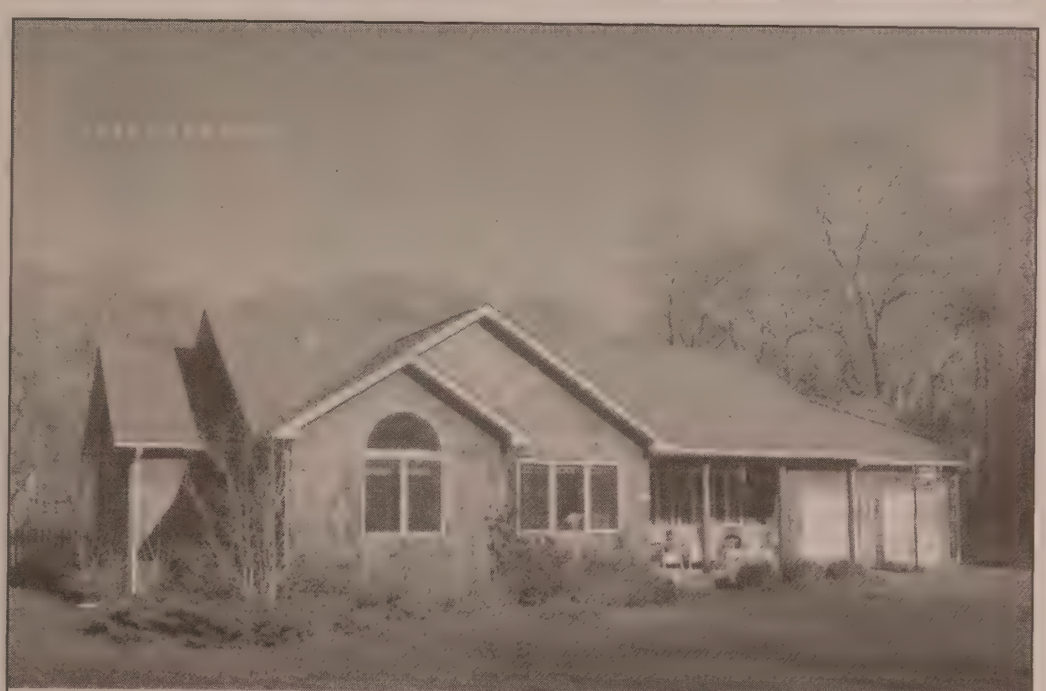

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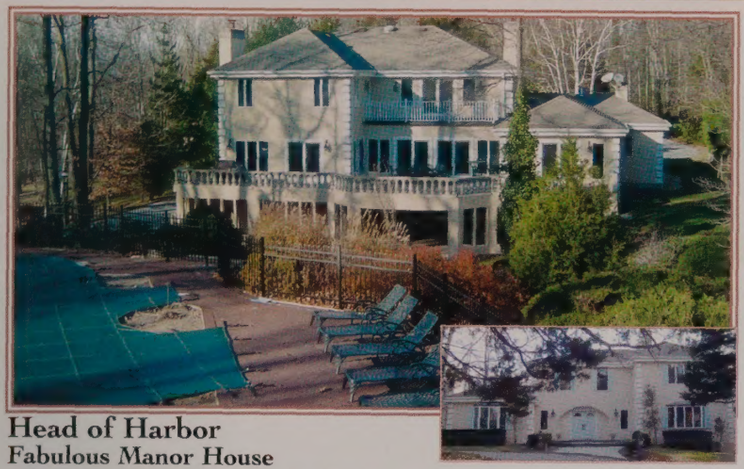

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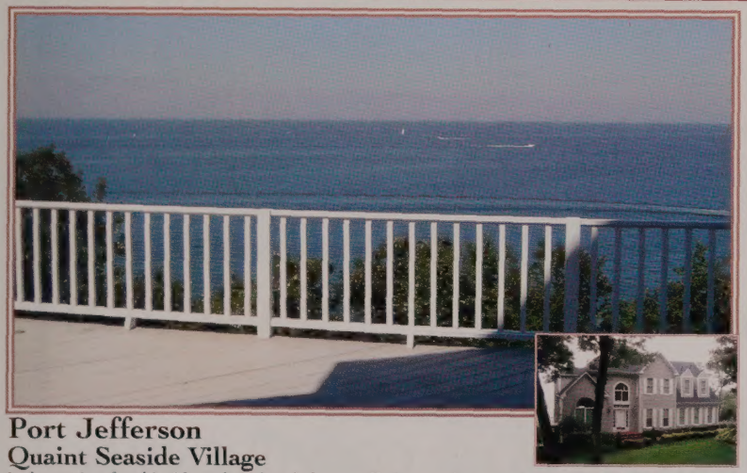

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